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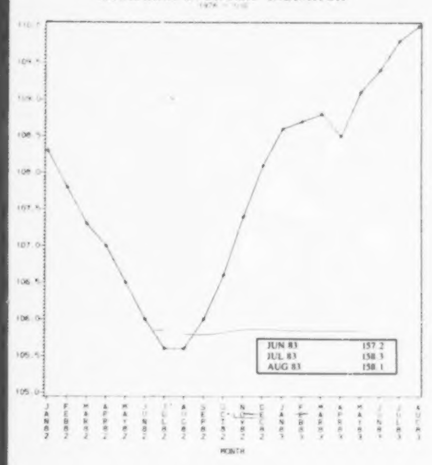

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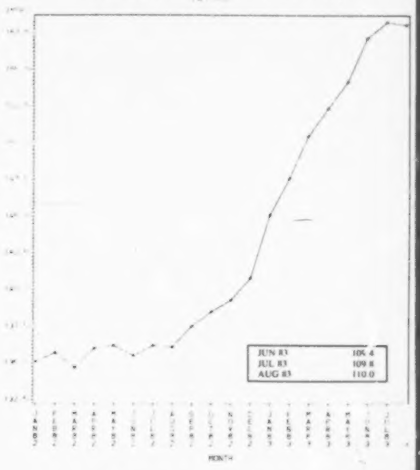

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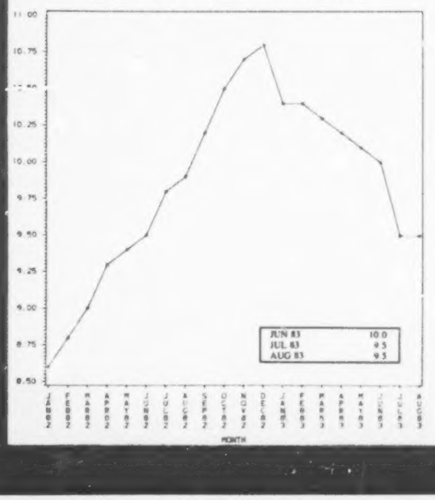

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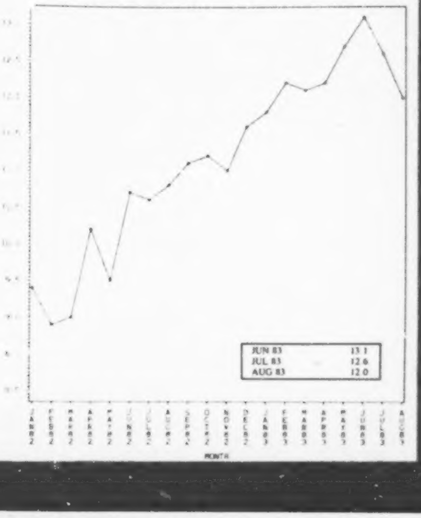

The Louisiana Economic Indicators went up by nearly two-tenths of one percent in August, whereas the Leading Economic Indicators for the United States decreased from 158.3 in July to 158.1 in August. The continued upward movement in Louisiana's Leading Economic Indicators and the decrease in the National index suggest that in the next few months the Louisiana economy might be closing the "recovery gap" between Louisiana and the nation.

The national unemployment average was 9.5% in August but Louisiana's unemployment rate at 12 percent was the fifth highest in the country. The four other states with high unemployment rates were West Virginia (16.7%) Michigan (13.4%) Alabama (12.2%) and Mississippi (12.2%). These data reflect a regional shift of recessionary effects from the frost belt states to the sun belt states.

Information released as the LEI was going to press reveals that Louisiana's unemployment rate fell to 11.6% in September while the national unemployment rate fell to 9.3%. This decrease in Louisiana's unemployment rate plus the steady upward progress of Louisiana's leading economic indicator suggests that the worst of the recession is behind us and that the recovery gap between Louisiana and the nation will narrow during the next few months. However, we do not foresee equality between the unemployment rates being achieved during the next twelve months.

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Economic Indicators: INTERNATIONAL

							Per Cent Change		
							Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
	Feb 83	Mar 83	Apr 83	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Same Month Prior Year	Prior Month	
GENERAL TRADE INFORMATION ($ MILLION)									
Trade Weighted Dollar (May 29, 1970=100)	99.3	99.7	100.1	100.3	102.1	103.2	2.2	1.1	4.8
Exports, F.A.S. Value ($ Million)	16325.8	16751.6	16073.8	15566.4	17008.3	16628.5	−7.9	−2.2	−11.2
Imports, Customs Value ($ Million)	19014.9	19525.2	19771.1	21514.4	21024.4	21949.9	10.6	4.4	−2.3
Merchandise Trade Balance ($ Million)	−2689.1	−2773.6	−3697.3	−5948.0	−4016.1	−5321.4	197.3	32.5	71.7
Dairy Products	−11.8	−0.9	9.3	1.7	1.6	−1.7	−383.3	−206.3	na
Fish and Fish Preparations	−190.7	−241.8	−188.8	−246.7	−257.3	−191.4	54.5	−25.6	na
Meats and Meat Preparations	−80.1	−56.8	−62.7	−92.7	−86.3	−98.1	36.4	13.7	67.0
Vegetables and Fruit	−62.9	−102.3	−101.4	−145.9	−21.3	11.3	−16.3	−153.1	na
Hides and Skins	55.0	71.5	46.8	60.2	51.6	64.4	32.0	24.8	na
Metal Ores and Concentrates	5.9	−2.7	50.0	7.2	4.3	−23.4	−27.3	−644.2	na
Paper Base Stocks	38.7	40.4	69.2	19.4	26.9	26.8	−22.1	−0.4	na
Petroleum and Petroleum Products	−2635.9	−2879.1	−2847.9	−4327.2	−3951.0	−4522.4	−10.1	14.5	−15.5
Chemical Elements and Compounds	109.4	140.7	144.2	127.3	362.8	229.1	−26.2	−36.9	na
Fertilizers and Fertilizer Materials	28.3	8.8	−4.0	35.2	68.3	42.7	−56.7	−37.5	na
Medicinal and Pharmaceutical Products	150.8	171.5	152.7	144.9	145.4	130.6	−5.6	−10.2	na
Iron and Steel	−348	−342	−336	−438	−391	−440	−12.8	12.4	na
Machinery	972.1	1242.0	927.5	759.1	603.9	474.4	−76.0	−21.4	na
Metal Manufactures	−60.8	−49.4	−37.0	−45.2	−62.3	−94.6	387.6	51.8	na
Paper and Paperboard	−58.9	−134.2	−104.2	−120.8	−162.8	−113.8	74.5	−30.1	na
Textile Yarn	−53.1	−25.6	−40.2	−58.9	−81.2	−103.1	−682.5	27.0	na
Tires and Tubes For Tires	−60.4	5.0	−0.8	−100.0	−82.2	−105.3	51.1	28.1	na
Transport Equipment	−490.8	−250.4	−814.8	−1179.1	−154.9	−908.9	3994.1	486.8	na
Raw Cotton	120.5	159.2	207.3	157.5	150.4	145.2	18.1	−3.5	−22.7
Rice, Grains, & Cereal Preparations	1365.4	1413.3	1244.3	1171.9	1308.7	1178.5	10.8	−9.9	−15.1
Soybeans	563.3	537.0	473.9	388.8	450.6	341.9	−6.6	−24.1	−8.8

NOTE: A NEGATIVE VALUE INDICATES A TRADE DEFICIT.

Economic Indicators: UNITED STATES

	Feb 83	Mar 83	Apr 83	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Per Cent Change		
							Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
							Same Month Prior Year	Prior Month	
PRODUCER PRICE INDEXES (1967=100)									
Finished Goods	283.7	283.4	283.0	284.3	285.0	285.2	1.2	0.1	2.8
Finished Consumer Goods	283.0	282.5	282.0	283.5	284.4	285.2	1.1	0.3	2.5
Intermediate Materials	310.5	309.2	309.1	310.1	311.7	313.0	0.5	0.4	0.1
Crude Materials	321.0	322.1	325.7	325.7	323.2	320.6	−0.9	−0.8	−1.0
CONSUMER PRICE INDEXES (1967=100)									
All Items	293.2	293.4	295.5	297.1	298.1	299.3	2.4	0.4	4.0
Food and Beverages	281.6	283.2	284.6	285.0	284.7	284.7	1.4	0.0	2.8
Housing	318.5	318.[illegible]	320.3	321.8	323.1	324.5	1.7	0.4	3.9
Apparel and Upkeep	192.0	194.5	195.5	196.1	195.6	195.0	2.8	−0.3	2.2
Transportation	289.9	287.4	292.3	296.2	298.3	300.4	1.5	0.7	2.3
Medical Care	351.3	352.3	353.5	354.3	355.4	357.7	8.4	0.6	10.4
Entertainment	243.1	244.6	244.6	244.8	245.4	246.0	4.0	0.2	5.3
INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION INDEXES (1967=100)									
Total Index	138.1	140.0	142.6	144.4	146.3	149.2	7.5	2.0	−2.7
Energy	131.0	131.9	133.9	133.8	133.6	136.9	0.4	2.5	−2.9
Durable Consumer Goods	134.4	136.3	140.5	145.5	149.1	153.7	11.6	3.1	3.2
Nondurable Consumer Goods	147.0	147.5	150.5	152.3	153.5	155.5	4.3	1.3	0.5
Business Equipment	142.7	143.7	146.9	147.7	150.6	152.6	−1.5	1.3	−13.5
Defense and Space Equipment	116.1	117.0	118.2	117.6	118.0	120.5	10.0	2.1	8.7
Construction Supplies	129.7	133.1	136.4	138.4	141.9	145.0	16.8	2.2	1.7
Business Supplies	160.9	162.3	165.2	166.0	166.7	170.0	5.3	2.0	−1.2
Durable Goods Materials	125.3	128.7	132.4	134.7	137.2	140.9	11.8	2.7	−6.5
Nondurable Goods Materials	164.0	167.5	168.7	172.1	173.7	175.3	15.1	0.9	0.7
Energy Materials	121.8	121.9	121.6	121.1	121.8	125.4	−0.5	3.0	−4.6
Home Goods and Clothing	119.9	122.0	126.3	129.2	130.3	133.4	9.9	2.4	0.3
GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY (1967=100)									
Index of 12 Leading Indicators	147.6	150.5	152.4	154.2	157.2	157.7	15.8	0.3	7.0
Index of 4 Roughly Coincident Indicators	133.5	134.6	135.5	137.9	139.4	141.0	3.4	1.1	−3.9
Index Of 6 Lagging Indicators	115.6	114.2	113.4	110.7	109.7	109.3	−12.1	−0.4	−7.4
Index of Coincident to Lagging Ratio	115.5	117.9	119.5	124.6	127.1	129.0	17.6	1.5	4.0
Housing Starts, Privately Owned	96,300	134,600	135,800	174,900	174,900	155,900	46.0	−10.9	56.4
Housing Starts, Publically Owned	400	1,200	600	600	600	400	0.0	−33.3	−19.6
FINANCE									
Percent Yield On 3−Month Federal Securities	8.13	8.30	8.25	8.19	8.79	9.08	−23.8	3.3	−35.2
Percent Yield on State and Local Bonds	8.80	8.42	8.28	8.39	8.76	8.70	−24.1	−0.7	−22.4
Average Percent Yield on Corporate Bonds	13.02	12.72	12.44	12.30	12.54	12.73	−18.9	1.5	−16.6
M1 : Currency + Demand Deposits ($ Billion)	491.1	497.6	496.5	507.4	511.7	515.5	13.4	0.7	9.7
M2 : M1 + Other Checkable Deposits ($ Billion)	2050.8	2069.9	2074.8	2096.2	2114.3	2126.0	13.0	0.6	10.7
Bank Debits ($ Billion)	102743.5	102206.1	103022.3	107273.3	106799.4	107884.4	19.5	1.0	16.0
Credit Union Deposits ($ Million)	52,089	53,480	57,379	59,071	57,830	59,391	19.9	2.7	28.0
Savings & Loan Deposits ($ Million)	570,029	579,199	592,720	600,932	605,886	612,257	14.6	1.1	8.9
Commercial Bank Deposits ($ Million)	1,232,245	1,240,521	1,265,842	1,251,299	1,256,964	1,283,385	11.2	2.1	11.3
EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS									
Civilian Noninstitutional Population (Millions)	173.5	173.7	173.8	174.0	174.1	174.3	1.1	0.1	1.2
Civilian Labor Force (Millions)	110.6	110.5	110.8	110.7	111.9	111.9	1.4	0.0	1.3
Percent of Population	63.7	63.6	63.7	63.7	64.3	64.2	0.2	−0.2	0.2
Employed (Millions)	99.1	99.1	99.5	99.6	100.8	101.3	1.7	0.5	−0.3
Employment:Population Ratio	57.1	57.1	57.2	57.2	57.9	58.1	0.5	0.3	−1.5
Unemployed (Millions)	11.5	11.4	11.3	11.2	11.1	10.6	−1.9	−4.5	19.2
Unemployment Rate	10.4	10.3	10.2	10.1	10.0	9.5	−3.1	−5.0	18.0
LIFE INSURANCE STATISTICS									
Annualized Premium ($ 000)	305,590	371,888	362,994	355,609	384,088	335,876	17.2	−12.6	15.0
Face Amount ($ 000)	32,506,542	39,515,663	38,083,742	37,972,459	40,757,804	35,028,671	21.9	−14.1	27.2
Premium Per $1,000	9.40	9.41	9.53	9.36	9.42	9.59	−3.8	1.8	−9.9
Average Policy Size	42,020	43,228	43,969	45,265	47,258	46,962	19.6	−0.6	18.0
Premium Per Policy	395	407	419	424	445	450	14.8	1.1	6.6
Number Of Ordinary Life Insurance Policies	773,603	914,126	866,144	838,896	862,456	745,900	1.9	−13.5	7.7

Economic Indicators: LOUISIANA

							Per Cent Change		
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GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY									
Dissolutions	33	31	54	44	31	40	na	29.0	na
New Corporations	727	938	916	1,210	1,216	1,005	−27.0	−17.4	−12.6
Telephones In Service (000)	2850.9	2844.5	2829.8	2800.6	2783.0	2772.6	−4.3	−0.4	−1.6
Total Mortgage Loans Closed ($ Million)	158.4	211.3	253.3	221.4	na	na	116.8	−12.6	95.4
Unemployment Benefits Paid (000 Weeks)	469.9	376.1	361.5	379.2	307.5	342.7	6.0	11.4	56.9
Unemployment Benefits Paid ($ Million)	72.4	58.1	56.1	59.3	47.8	53.0	16.5	10.9	79.2
NEW CAR SALES									
Buick			1,133	1,178	1,271	1,080		−15.0	
Cadillac			408	409	473	411		−13.1	
Chevrolet			1,658	1,864	2,079	1,581		−24.0	
Chrysler			291	265	326	275		−15.6	
Datsun			847	788	901	713		−20.9	
Dodge			272	359	406	413		1.7	
Ford			1,454	1,581	1,827	1,545		−15.4	
Honda			260	264	351	268		−23.6	
Lincoln			202	226	244	234		−4.1	
Mazda			212	233	262	223		−14.9	
Mercury			642	634	668	551		−17.5	
Oldsmobile			1,783	1,736	2,209	1,809		−18.1	
Plymouth			171	205	170	149		−12.4	
Pontiac			694	747	974	784		−19.5	
Renault			101	74	120	87		−27.5	
Toyota			688	751	883	878		−0.6	
Volkswagen			86	88	107	68		−36.4	
Volvo			123	144	148	102		−31.1	
Others			485	424	585	513		−12.3	
NEW TRUCK SALES									
Chevrolet			1,659	1,648	2,061	1,701		−17.5	
Datsun			174	181	237	243		2.5	
Dodge			532	528	644	434		−32.6	
Ford			2,070	1,986	2,339	1,828		−21.8	
GMC			529	514	580	462		−20.3	
Mazda			129	83	132	101		−23.5	
Toyota			303	325	502	421		−16.1	
Others			330	267	308	246		−20.1	
CRUDE PETROLEUM & LEASE CONDENSATE PRODUCTION									
North Louisiana (42−Gal Bbls (000))	3,038	2,850	2,945	2,850	2,945	2,945	2.3	0.0	0.6
South Louisiana (42−Gal Bbls (000))	36,921	36,000	37,262	36,150	37,355	36,735	5.2	−1.7	1.4
CONSTRUCTION									
Number Of Construction Contracts	3,088	3,352	3,659	4,005	4,066	3,442	34.7	−15.3	41.3
Value of Construction Contracts ($ Million)									
Residential	149.6	139.7	172.0	173.7	188.9	184.6	55.3	−2.3	48.5
Nonresidential	115.0	121.1	83.1	145.4	101.0	157.0	78.4	55.4	13.5
Nonbuilding	327.5	342.6	452.9	87.3	80.2	112.2	−80.2	39.9	44.8
EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS (000)									
Nonagricultural	1588.4	1589.6	1587.8	1585.0	1583.5	1577.0	−1.5	−0.4	−2.2
Wholesale And Retail Trade	363.5	364.5	365.1	365.2	366.3	367.1	−0.6	0.2	−0.5
Government	312.7	312.5	311.1	310.0	305.7	304.1	2.6	−0.5	−0.2
Services And Miscellaneous	307.2	307.7	308.3	307.0	306.2	306.3	1.2	0.0	2.6
Manufacturing	192.4	191.3	191.2	191.4	192.4	191.7	−5.0	−0.4	−7.4
Transportation & Public Utilities	124.0	124.7	123.9	124.6	125.4	120.6	−6.9	−3.8	−3.0
Construction	115.4	116.0	115.5	114.3	115.3	115.1	−7.8	−0.2	−12.3
Finance, Insurance, And Real Estate	79.7	79.7	80.1	80.2	80.5	80.5	0.9	0.0	1.5
Mining	93.5	93.2	92.5	92.3	91.7	91.6	−5.3	−0.1	−4.3
Average Weekly Manufacturing Hours	39.9	39.7	39.9	40.7	40.4	39.5	0.0	−2.2	0.2
Average Weekly Manufacturing Earnings	381.84	387.08	391.42	395.20	401.17	385.13	2.5	−4.0	5.2
Unemployment Rate	12.1	12.2	12.7	13.1	12.6	12.0	11.1	−4.8	28.3
REVENUE COLLECTIONS ($ MILLION)									
Severance Tax	82.0	49.6	80.2	58.5	60.4	69.1	−10.0	14.4	−11.1
General Sales Tax	51.0	63.2	61.7	59.9	65.0	61.1	−2.9	−6.0	−9.4
Motor Vehicle Tax	8.8	8.1	8.8	9.3	1.9	9.7	14.1	410.5	−10.3
Gasoline Tax	11.7	14.4	13.5	14.2	13.1	13.4	−6.9	2.3	−1.4
Individual Income Tax	−21.8	10.9	31.6	21.0	23.7	31.3	−4.9	32.1	4.3
Corporation Income Tax	39.1	33.0	51.3	49.4	3.2	7.1	0.0	121.9	3.7
Corporation Franchise Tax	4.4	4.1	58.8	3.6	2.3	5.0	85.2	117.4	13.3
Tobacco Tax And Permits	4.8	4.8	5.1	6.5	5.0	5.0	−9.1	0.0	−7.1
Alcoholic Beverages and Permits	3.9	4.7	4.3	4.8	5.2	4.3	−10.4	−17.3	−3.9
Inheritance Tax	3.0	3.1	3.3	2.4	2.2	2.3	−39.5	4.5	5.7
Total Revenues	183.5	195.1	324.2	225.4	186.9	211.4	−5.3	13.1	−5.2

NOTE: NEW CAR/TRUCK SALES IS A NEW DATA SERIES IN THE LEI THIS MONTH & WILL BE EXPANDED.

Economic Indicators: LOUISIANA METROPOLITAN AREAS

NEW ORLEANS AREA

							Per Cent Change		
							Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
	Mar 83	Apr 83	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Same Month Prior Year	Prior Month	
GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY									
Airline Cargo (Tons)	1,508	1,455	1,388	1,468	1,440	1,516	1.1	5.3	−7.9
Airline Passenger Boardings (000)	274.2	236.5	267.4	258.5	255.3	240.3	0.0	−5.9	−2.4
Attendance Of Conventions And Meetings	57,282	52,076	58,477	48,718	36,487	43,612	3.7	19.5	1.8
Average Weekly Manufacturing Earnings	350.76	358.02	336.97	345.98	347.90	339.98	−4.4	−2.3	0.3
Average Weekly Manufacturing Hours	39.5	39.3	37.4	38.7	38.4	38.2	0.3	−0.5	−1.5
Highway Construction Contracts ($ Million)	na	na	na	na	347.84	401.55	na	15.4	na
Newspaper Advertising Linage	49,347	49,699	50,120	51,609	na	na	69.4	3.0	2.2
Ocean Shipments (000 (Tons))	1379.9	1054.2	802.2	588.1	1352.0	1321.7	−0.1	−2.2	−19.0
Telephones In Service	948,109	944,952	939,296	931,568	923,125	915,881	−2.1	−0.8	−1.9
Total Mortgage Loans Closed ($ Million) –	78.6	114.8	165.3	133.9	na	na	113.9	−19.0	95.4
CONSTRUCTION									
Number Of Construction Contracts	769	902	1,379	1,306	974	812	230.1	−16.6	72.6
Value of Construction Contracts ($ Million)									
Residential	38.6	30.1	68.9	48.5	61.6	39.6	224.6	−35.7	57.7
Nonresidential	35.0	40.4	26.6	39.4	24.7	25.2	72.6	2.0	−29.1
EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS									
Total Civilian Labor Force (000)	509.8	509.6	508.1	514.7	520.6	521.7	1.4	0.2	0.0
Total Employed (000)	453.9	454.0	451.3	455.4	463.2	465.5	0.1	0.5	−2.3
Total Unemployed (000)	55.9	55.6	56.8	59.3	57.4	56.2	13.8	−2.1	24.9
Unemployment Rate	11.0	10.9	11.2	11.5	11.0	10.8	12.5	−1.8	25.1
REVENUE COLLECTIONS									
Retail Sales Tax – State	13,866,798	16,579,391	14,822,255	17,168,964	16,734,116	15,518,279	−0.1	−7.3	−4.3

BATON ROUGE AREA

GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY									
Airline Cargo (Tons)	114	121	107	124	135	114	−5.8	−15.6	−0.7
Airline Passenger Boardings (000)	27.6	26.7	26.7	25.9	27.0	26.0	17.6	−3.7	2.0
Average Weekly Manufacturing Earnings	483.84	456.25	460.60	494.21	489.41	483.53	3.8	−1.2	2.8
Average Weekly Manufacturing Hours	42.0	39.4	39.3	43.2	42.3	41.9	2.9	−0.9	0.5
Classified Advertisement Linage	1,161,714	1,173,182	1,297,822	1,186,060	1,433,309	1,221,631	−14.1	−14.8	−0.7
Classified Advertisement Count	99,442	97,169	107,627	104,038	107,858	111,607	13.0	3.5	−0.3
Highway Construction Contracts ($ Million)	na	na	na	na	36.85	36.36	na	−1.3	na
Newspaper Advertising Linage	3,821,133	3,707,436	4,037,808	3,760,761	3,629,105	3,827,475	9.3	5.5	4.9
Ocean Shipments ((000 Tons))	205.9	73.6	286.4	72.0	131.0	169.0	52.7	29.0	7.2
Telephones In Service	369,815	368,799	365,870	361,318	361,151	359,081	−1.6	−0.6	−1.7
Total Mortgage Loans Closed ($ Million)	15	7	18	20	na	na	250.0	9.5	77.4
CONSTRUCTION									
Number Of Construction Contracts	761	630	700	894	647	960	28.2	48.4	59.0
Value of Construction Contracts ($ Million)									
Residential	28.9	17.0	22.5	27.1	23.6	56.1	155.0	137.7	87.1
Nonresidential	34.1	32.8	13.2	30.8	13.0	13.1	−26.0	0.8	29.9
EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS									
Total Civilian Labor Force (000)	229.3	229.9	231.4	234.3	235.8	237.2	4.0	0.6	2.0
Total Employed (000)	206.8	207.0	207.0	207.7	210.1	213.0	3.5	1.4	−0.1
Total Unemployed (000)	22.5	22.9	24.4	26.6	25.7	24.2	8.5	−5.8	25.4
Unemployment Rate	9.8	10.0	10.5	11.4	10.9	10.2	4.1	−6.4	22.9
REVENUE COLLECTIONS									
Retail Sales Tax – State	5,572,548	6,752,457	6,704,286	6,571,826	6,823,109	6,610,356	3.1	−3.1	−5.2

Economic Indicators: LOUISIANA METROPOLITAN AREAS

LAKE CHARLES AREA

							Per Cent Change		
							Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
	Mar 83	Apr 83	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Same Month Prior Year	Prior Month	
GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY									
Airline Cargo (Tons)	5.1	5.0	5.3	7.0	8.0	6.4	−8.6	−20.0	−13.6
Airline Passenger Boardings (000)	2.9	3.0	3.1	3.2	3.1	3.3	−5.7	6.5	−17.3
Highway Construction Contracts ($ Million)	na	na	na	na	9.26	9.45	na	2.1	na
Ocean Shipments (000 (Tons))	1295.1	1262.3	1164.7	1359.0	1451.0	1169.0	14.1	−19.4	8.8
Telephones In Service	116,774	116,467	115,744	115,018	114,018	113,347	−4.8	−0.6	−2.6
Total Mortgage Loans Closed ($ Million)	4.7	4.1	14.9	6.9	na	na	16.9	−53.7	32.5
CONSTRUCTION									
Number Of Construction Contracts	95	104	150	72	71	125	−51.9	76.1	−1.2
Value of Construction Contracts ($ Million)									
Residential	4.3	4.2	3.5	3.0	5.6	3.7	−65.1	−33.9	−6.9
Nonresidential	2.9	2.6	1.3	3.5	1.3	4.1	−4.7	215.4	309.9
EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS									
Total Civilian Labor Force (000)	73.5	73.9	74.0	74.9	75.9	76.2	−1.2	0.4	−5.2
Total Employed (000)	62.8	63.9	62.9	63.3	64.3	64.6	−1.5	0.5	−8.3
Total Unemployed (000)	10.7	10.0	11.1	11.6	11.6	11.6	0.9	0.0	17.5
Unemployment Rate	14.6	13.6	15.0	15.5	15.3	15.2	1.3	−0.7	23.3
REVENUE COLLECTIONS									
Retail Sales Tax − State	1,606,214	2,052,036	1,785,692	1,854,491	2,246,583	1,695,391	−17.8	−24.5	−5.5

ALEXANDRIA AREA

	Mar 83	Apr 83	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Same Month Prior Year	Prior Month	Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY									
Airline Cargo (Tons)	48	39	36	36	36	43	−20.4	19.4	−5.9
Airline Passenger Boardings (000)	4.4	4.7	5.2	5.5	4.1	2.5	−41.9	−39.0	−11.6
Highway Construction Contracts ($ Million)	na	na	na	na	61.60	59.80	na	−2.9	na
Newspaper Advertising Linage	2,036,006	1,885,352	2,057,202	1,860,516	1,803,270	2,035,068	11.7	12.9	5.0
Telephones In Service	81,631	81,375	81,162	80,532	80,224	79,798	−2.8	−0.5	−1.3
Total Mortgage Loans Closed ($ Million)	0.8	0.9	0.4	1.7	na	na	466.7	325.0	37.9
CONSTRUCTION									
Number Of Construction Contracts	76	83	82	179	119	81	47.3	−31.9	26.5
Value of Construction Contracts ($ Million)									
Residential	3.8	4.9	4.8	12.1	6.8	5.0	38.9	−26.5	40.4
Nonresidential	0.9	3.7	3.4	5.2	0.2	1.5	66.7	650.0	48.4
EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS									
Total Unemployed (000)	9.2	9.0	9.2	9.7	9.2	8.9	3.5	−3.3	12.9
Total Employed (000)	64.4	65.2	65.3	65.9	66.6	67.7	2.6	1.7	1.0
Total Civilian Labor Force (000)	73.6	74.2	74.5	75.6	75.8	76.6	2.7	1.1	2.3
Unemployment Rate	12.5	12.2	12.3	12.8	12.2	11.6	0.0	−4.9	10.4
REVENUE COLLECTIONS									
Retail Sales Tax − State	879,688	1,163,879	1,076,449	1,141,617	1,318,777	1,113,481	8.4	−15.6	8.6

Economic Indicators: LOUISIANA METROPOLITAN AREA

SHREVEPORT AREA

	Mar 83	Apr 83	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Per Cent Change: Latest Month: Same Month Prior Year	Per Cent Change: Latest Month: Prior Month	Per Cent Change: Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY									
Airline Cargo (Tons)	756	654	683	658	688	1,076	44.0	56.4	10.9
Airline Passenger Boardings (000)	33.5	35.2	36.9	36.0	34.0	32.0	−3.9	−5.9	−0.1
Average Weekly Manufacturing Earnings	370.75	368.68	369.57	372.53	389.42	370.60	8.5	−4.8	9.9
Average Weekly Manufacturing Hours	39.4	39.7	39.4	39.8	39.9	39.3	−1.0	−1.5	−0.4
Highway Construction Contracts ($ Million)	na	na	na	na	74.79	97.63	na	30.5	na
Newspaper Advertising Linage	4,524,315	5,556,498	4,683,015	4,266,682	5,243,025	4,588,473	−2.9	−12.5	−0.7
Telephones In Service	253,583	253,115	251,390	241,832	239,876	245,252	−5.9	2.2	−2.8
Total Mortgage Loans Closed ($ Million)	10.4	20.6	12.7	10.7	na	na	5250.0	−15.7	901.1
CONSTRUCTION									
Number Of Construction Contracts	196	247	193	279	723	238	60.8	−67.1	43.9
Value of Construction Contracts ($ Million)									
Residential	11.4	12.2	9.4	13.4	22.5	14.8	100.0	−34.2	74.2
Nonresidential	14.5	17.3	16.8	10.0	5.5	7.9	−39.7	43.6	47.7
EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS									
Total Civilian Labor Force (000)	159.6	160.3	161.6	167.4	166.1	167.4	2.9	0.8	−0.1
Total Employed (000)	140.1	141.1	141.7	146.5	146.1	148.3	1.7	1.5	−3.6
Total Unemployed (000)	19.5	19.2	19.9	20.9	20.0	19.1	13.0	−4.5	37.8
Unemployment Rate	12.2	12.0	12.3	12.5	12.1	11.4	9.6	−5.8	38.0
REVENUE COLLECTIONS									
Retail Sales Tax − State	3,771,235	4,340,184	3,863,725	4,163,578	4,440,265	3,854,788	−8.1	−13.2	−4.9

MONROE AREA

	Mar 83	Apr 83	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Per Cent Change: Latest Month: Same Month Prior Year	Per Cent Change: Latest Month: Prior Month	Per Cent Change: Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY									
Airline Cargo (Tons)	16	14	23	18	17	20	11.1	17.6	−30.6
Airline Passenger Boardings (000)	8.0	7.0	8.0	9.0	9.0	8.0	1.3	−11.1	−3.3
Highway Construction Contracts ($ Million)	na	na	na	na	13.46	13.04	na	−3.1	na
Newspaper Advertising Linage	1,822,763	3,010,217	2,459,099	2,767,109	2,820,350	na	23.5	1.9	−4.1
Telephones In Service	116,185	116,204	115,756	115,430	114,776	114,023	−5.1	−0.7	−2.0
Total Mortgage Loans Closed ($ Million)	9.2	7.9	9.7	12.1	na	na	195.1	24.7	105.3
CONSTRUCTION									
Number Of Construction Contracts	58	59	72	93	42	100	117.4	138.1	14.3
Value of Construction Contracts ($ Million)									
Residential	2.8	2.9	4.0	4.7	2.5	7.1	136.7	184.0	−47.1
Nonresidential	2.1	1.0	0.2	4.2	32.1	1.8	−88.0	−94.4	−2.5
EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS									
Total Civilian Labor Force (000)	58.0	57.6	57.7	57.9	58.5	58.4	2.5	−0.2	1.3
Total Employed (000)	50.9	51.0	51.1	51.0	51.7	51.8	3.8	0.2	0.3
Total Unemployed (000)	7.1	6.6	6.6	6.9	6.8	6.6	−7.0	−2.9	9.4
Unemployment Rate	12.2	11.4	11.5	12.0	11.6	11.2	−9.7	−3.4	8.4
REVENUE COLLECTIONS									
Retail Sales Tax − State	1,611,851	2,098,393	1,902,212	1,884,673	2,133,021	1,826,312	−1.4	−14.4	1.0

Economic Indicators: LOUISIANA METROPOLITAN AREAS

LAFAYETTE AREA

							Per Cent Change		
							Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
	Mar 83	Apr 83	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Same Month Prior Year	Prior Month	
GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY									
Airline Cargo (Tons)	28	29	27	32	27	23	−20.7	−14.8	−22.8
Airline Passenger Boardings (000)	9.4	8.8	10.2	10.0	9.0	9.0	−12.6	0.0	−9.8
Highway Construction Contracts ($ Million)	na	na	na	na	13.74	13.22	na	−3.8	na
Telephones In Service	141,094	140,382	139,536	138,764	137,567	136,113	−5.5	−1.1	−0.4
Total Mortgage Loans Closed ($ Million)	6.0	14.1	7.0	7.0	na	na	536.4	0.0	76.8
CONSTRUCTION									
Number Of Construction Contracts	380	229	150	336	579	296	6.9	−48.9	22.8
Value of Construction Contracts ($ Million)									
Residential	21.9	12.3	7.2	14.6	20.2	14.1	15.6	−30.2	30.4
Nonresidential	2.1	3.2	10.4	3.1	8.5	0.9	−84.7	−89.4	−66.1
EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS									
Total Civilian Labor Force (000)	101.6	100.4	100.3	102.2	102.2	101.9	1.4	−0.3	4.4
Total Employed (000)	94.0	92.9	92.0	93.2	93.3	93.2	−1.9	−0.1	1.3
Total Unemployed (000)	7.6	7.5	8.3	9.0	8.9	8.7	58.2	−2.2	70.0
Unemployment Rate	7.5	7.5	8.3	8.8	8.7	8.5	54.5	−2.3	62.9
REVENUE COLLECTIONS									
Retail Sales Tax − State	2,685,235	3,357,423	2,798,632	2,992,100	3,607,072	2,585,734	−31.7	−28.3	−24.8

HOUMA/THIBODAUX AREA

GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY									
Highway Construction Contracts ($ Million)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	12.73	15.69	0.0	23.3	0.0
Newspaper Advertising Linage	na	na	na	na	na	na	0.0	0.0	0.0
Telephones In Service	80,097	79,838	79,221	78,707	78,079	77,259	0.0	−1.1	0.0
REVENUE COLLECTIONS									
Retail Sales Tax − State	1,048,628	2,166,238	1,316,135	1,345,279	1,428,035	1,124,660	−19.0	−21.2	−15.2

NOTE: HOUMA/THIBODAUX IS A NEWLY DEFINED MSA IN LOUISIANA. WE WILL ENLARGE THIS DATA SERIES DURING THE NEXT MONTHS.

Louisiana Local Sales Tax Collections

(Collections For Indicated Month Based On Sales For Preceding Month

							Per Cent Change		
							Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
	Mar 83	Apr 83	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Same Month Prior Year	Prior Month	
Acadia Parish School Board	223,737	265,784	240,745	291,097	254,638	204,942	−24.5	−19.5	−16.6
Allen Parish School Board	71,259	81,864	72,491	75,055	78,494	66,410	−22.2	−15.4	−2.2
Ascension Parish School Board	629,735	768,277	632,446	664,913	778,069	734,813	−2.4	−5.6	−18.0
Assumption Parish School Board	160,277	207,568	195,525	196,704	237,737	195,515	−15.1	−17.8	35.5
Avoyelles Parish School Board	191,441	210,353	194,583	200,837	198,565	171,019	−14.5	−13.9	−2.9
Beauregard Parish School Board	133,561	145,115	140,018	156,305	178,177	160,663	24.1	−9.8	−0.6
Bienville Parish School Board	89,296	61,410	69,274	81,390	54,706	na	−18.4	−32.8	−14.2
Bossier Parish School Board	631,792	681,082	624,651	666,875	774,230	563,024	−29.8	−27.3	1.0
St. John Parish School Board	447,765	808,003	422,504	na	na	na	−13.1	−47.7	0.2
Caddo Parish School Board	1,608,089	1,701,789	1,597,371	1,656,244	1,759,587	1,461,574	−23.2	−16.9	−4.1
Calcasieu Parish School Board	1,182,519	1,340,235	1,159,450	1,591,505	1,337,280	1,319,102	−8.4	−1.4	−9.2
Caldwell Parish School Board	36,743	38,277	37,043	38,283	45,655	na	10.9	19.3	13.4
Catahoula Parish School Board	30,790	43,888	39,277	na	na	na	−27.1	−10.5	−33.1
Claiborne Parish School Board	49,101	76,096	56,078	91,980	73,371	91,355	11.0	24.5	−15.1
Concordia Parish School Board	94,225	108,060	99,853	101,671	119,980	105,623	10.3	−12.0	5.2
Desoto Parish School Board	350,869	150,970	221,932	186,428	215,976	156,819	25.4	−27.4	−21.6
East Baton Rouge Parish School Board	2,734,602	2,594,719	2,763,347	2,869,397	2,812,077	2,978,455	16.1	5.9	3.2
East Carroll Parish School Board	29,551	33,099	35,411	na	na	na	1.8	7.0	−10.8
East Feliciana Parish School Board	166,174	164,840	120,574	123,097	169,509	81,078	−53.6	−52.2	5.3
Evangeline Parish School Board	104,273	143,409	105,490	121,065	133,770	87,674	−23.4	−34.5	−4.1
Franklin Parish School Board	111,387	124,963	115,254	115,262	130,315	95,100	−30.4	−27.0	−5.4
Grant Parish School Board	27,870	43,448	30,391	34,298	41,461	34,973	14.1	−15.6	1.4
Iberia Parish School Board	564,892	470,415	489,000	541,841	na	na	−14.9	10.8	−23.2
Iberville Parish School Board	290,572	302,076	272,525	297,788	324,605	300,349	−9.0	−7.5	−8.5
Jackson Parish School Board	199,155	242,371	115,926	139,240	152,595	103,529	−33.1	−32.2	58.3
Jefferson Parish School Board	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Jefferson−Davis Parish School Board	188,596	171,446	248,264	na	na	na	−6.0	44.8	−25.4
Lafayette Parish School Board	1,237,857	1,513,879	1,365,230	1,426,843	1,446,427	1,336,186	−19.9	−7.6	−16.1
Lafourche Parish School Board	459,549	475,406	484,174	459,701	490,135	459,784	−15.3	−6.2	−8.2
Lasalle Parish School Board	75,761	60,971	69,685	86,287	58,658	na	−35.0	−32.0	−9.6
Lincoln Parish School Board	178,044	157,706	188,637	184,882	147,961	222,620	25.3	50.5	2.8
Livingston Parish School Board	366,802	466,932	450,218	520,642	585,612	402,584	−5.0	−31.3	3.4
Madison Parish School Board	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Morehouse Parish School Board	97,272	127,199	112,273	123,552	131,167	126,106	2.5	−3.9	−2.1
Natchitoches Parish School Board	162,230	177,619	165,993	182,522	215,922	137,423	−21.3	−36.4	0.7
Orleans Parish School Board	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Ouachita Parish School Board	249,626	248,237	235,654	261,820	264,244	275,112	21.4	4.1	9.3
Plaquemine Parish School Board	255,727	349,667	361,728	265,610	334,742	262,180	−31.8	−21.7	3.8
Pointe Coupee Parish School Board	400,503	162,517	89,182	188,946	121,718	86,845	−41.6	−28.7	na
Red River Parish School Board	39,319	27,975	25,904	43,621	24,767	33,959	10.0	37.1	−15.4
Richland Parish School Board	110,539	134,671	113,464	121,992	128,748	99,186	−27.7	−23.0	3.6
Sabine Parish School Board	98,995	104,872	96,308	101,191	123,265	79,521	−31.7	−35.5	8.0
St. Bernard Parish School Board	607,478	467,728	501,029	804,993	560,062	676,604	25.3	20.8	6.8
St. Charles Parish School Board	657,649	753,179	824,533	718,667	869,492	515,887	−50.5	−40.7	−24.1
St. Helena Parish School Board	38,487	28,173	27,886	23,774	39,507	16,156	−41.0	−59.1	−3.5
St. James Parish School Board	325,246	502,509	504,909	327,525	1,872,149	423,172	2.0	−77.4	68.3
St. Landry Parish School Board	310,789	391,742	355,875	351,666	413,590	302,669	−24.1	−26.8	−13.4
St. Martin Parish School Board	175,058	181,033	169,265	200,205	190,765	183,138	3.6	−4.0	−15.7
St. Mary Parish School Board	374,076	476,984	384,204	405,454	467,904	345,594	−36.5	−26.1	−32.6
St. Tammany Parish School Board	1,193,594	1,084,329	1,451,174	1,301,052	1,429,302	1,037,815	−23.7	−27.4	11.2
Tangipahoa Parish School Board	263,007	323,531	329,117	402,712	467,040	330,601	−9.5	−29.2	3.4
Tensas Parish School Board	30,630	25,708	25,269	31,444	26,145	22,638	−16.2	−13.4	−11.5
Terrebonne Parish School Board	480,030	571,335	556,381	581,664	552,121	475,276	−23.4	−13.9	−24.6
Union Parish School Board	73,378	68,299	63,532	68,495	74,882	49,975	−36.2	−33.3	−2.8
Vermillion Parish School Board	412,184	300,241	392,796	392,087	301,590	na	−22.0	−23.1	−12.3
Vernon Parish School Board	171,085	154,129	158,344	148,305	165,084	na	−3.2	11.3	11.9
Washington Parish School Board	118,199	109,946	118,378	141,225	120,118	na	−2.0	−14.9	4.7
Webster Parish School Board	171,206	201,479	186,142	150,000	257,967	193,963	−25.2	−24.8	−3.5
West Baton Rouge Parish School Board	145,513	165,777	116,251	119,097	113,963	109,785	−25.6	−3.7	−15.3
West Carroll Parish School Board	37,918	42,509	43,350	46,886	45,236	37,739	−24.2	−16.6	−8.3
West Feliciana Parish School Board	175,458	515,883	359,201	214,852	358,104	222,382	0.1	−37.9	79.7
Winn Parish School Board	76,906	77,943	67,793	73,521	81,447	62,342	−27.7	−23.5	5.8

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Abbeville	92,502	87,197	80,516	80,518	87,795	81,274	−10.9	−7.4	−0.3
Abita Springs	2,002	2,085	2,830	2,040	4,033	2,533	27.6	−37.2	21.1
Acadia Parish Police Jury	171,419	242,211	219,765	227,955	246,071	202,290	na	−17.8	na
Albany	2,988	2,689	2,727	2,663	3,008	2,686	−32.9	−10.7	4.6
Alexandria	387,601	403,530	397,094	405,500	444,082	392,264	−8.0	−11.7	7.4
Amite City	56,353	79,426	66,608	63,563	75,091	57,637	−13.6	−23.2	25.7
Angie	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Arcadia	16,476	24,880	16,796	18,475	18,950	16,143	−21.8	−14.8	1.5
Arnaudville	12,652	15,596	14,427	14,178	na	na	66.5	−1.7	80.5
Ascension Parish Police Jury	225,287	175,556	199,269	na	na	na	−18.7	13.5	−26.4
Assumption Parish Police Jury	79,826	103,065	102,837	99,018	156,429	104,720	−13.9	−33.1	6.1
Baker	117,211	113,483	111,660	128,420	114,799	137,936	20.5	20.2	24.3
Basile	8,040	9,192	8,333	7,416	9,472	7,017	−34.0	−25.9	−2.5
Bastrop	89,676	102,926	104,062	107,118	111,924	97,811	7.2	−12.6	5.8
Benton	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Bernice	6,768	8,563	6,637	6,073	7,536	8,328	51.4	10.5	20.0
Bogalusa	219,248	235,360	226,384	245,014	229,670	216,139	−10.1	−5.9	32.9
Bogalusa School System	73,773	88,248	79,173	90,659	93,391	na	−3.2	3.6	−7.0
Bossier City	470,582	496,706	505,270	524,650	562,708	563,757	34.5	0.2	60.2
Breaux Bridge	42,878	44,020	38,847	40,258	39,828	36,471	−19.1	−8.4	6.3
Broussard	19,994	22,212	21,515	41,083	22,856	17,294	−54.2	−24.3	−32.7
Bunkie	38,554	47,887	44,623	43,085	49,032	42,870	−5.0	−12.6	5.3
Caldwell Parish Police Jury	36,743	39,297	37,043	38,283	45,655	na	10.9	19.3	13.6
Campti	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Cankton	666	635	1,071	677	619	648	−16.4	4.7	−21.7
Carencro	28,401	38,737	34,605	32,590	33,908	33,422	−0.9	−1.4	−3.7
Catahoula Parish Police Jury	62,534	61,076	67,085	68,294	70,337	71,149	1.3	1.2	−9.4
Church Point	19,297	19,586	17,428	19,084	18,251	14,344	−28.2	−21.4	−10.0
Colfax	10,663	16,112	13,157	12,661	13,767	14,184	155.2	3.0	71.3
Columbia	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Concordia Parish Police Jury	40,939	45,044	36,542	46,781	50,489	38,762	11.7	−23.2	−5.5
Cottonport	6,360	6,560	7,398	6,371	7,207	6,526	−11.3	−9.4	−0.9
Cotton Valley	1,022	2,080	5,232	2,185	2,583	2,359	102.0	−8.7	7.7
Coushatta	14,547	17,575	14,683	16,637	24,200	16,403	−17.6	−32.2	−10.5
Covington	127,551	119,976	138,421	133,923	na	na	77.8	−3.2	66.1
Crowley	163,371	185,824	167,048	162,214	172,642	150,279	−11.0	−13.0	15.6
Cullen	3,001	3,323	3,439	2,810	3,635	2,725	−2.8	−25.0	0.1
Delcambre	8,570	7,752	6,445	7,837	7,995	7,130	−48.8	−10.8	−20.0
Delhi	8,480	9,349	8,742	9,193	9,616	8,621	−15.0	−10.3	16.7
Denham Springs	95,287	95,626	91,216	93,726	101,077	na	14.3	7.8	8.8
Dequincy	19,541	20,815	20,522	18,807	22,223	19,447	−15.8	−12.5	−10.3
DeRidder	60,660	76,425	69,822	72,364	79,028	69,198	−4.9	−12.4	−2.6
Dixie Inn	4,852	4,735	5,083	5,820	4,803	5,302	10.8	10.4	1.6
Donaldsonville	33,263	56,018	54,459	55,257	na	na	35.4	1.5	11.7
Dubach	1,663	1,365	2,501	1,884	na	na	−7.6	−24.7	na
Duson	10,847	15,063	13,243	25,396	19,546	14,311	76.6	−26.8	30.4
East Baton Rouge City/Parish	4,376,328	5,211,173	4,936,141	5,573,226	5,476,354	5,365,017	5.4	−2.0	1.3
Elizabeth	882	885	1,044	1,230	1,030	1,059	−19.6	2.8	na
Elton	3,504	3,381	3,435	3,391	3,613	2,924	−67.8	−19.1	−15.1
Erath	9,628	11,359	9,162	11,165	10,828	8,524	−22.0	−21.3	−16.1
Estherwood	882	989	1,005	998	999	804	−9.9	−19.5	16.5
Eunice	132,222	152,909	151,215	147,489	175,516	na	−3.1	19.0	−8.5
Farmerville	24,044	21,676	24,627	25,938	22,166	25,946	4.9	17.1	6.8
Ferriday	27,843	29,827	28,671	28,937	34,794	31,714	0.8	−8.9	−2.4
Folsom	2,715	3,441	3,740	4,771	2,233	2,958	13.0	32.5	4.2
Franklinton	28,503	30,201	41,556	37,034	36,205	31,726	0.9	−12.4	9.1
Gilbert	1,467	1,590	1,153	1,555	na	na	12.1	34.9	26.7
Glenmora	3,908	3,829	3,962	3,753	3,243	3,903	−29.2	20.4	−3.9
Golden Meadow	12,816	8,464	11,969	9,745	na	na	−28.3	−18.6	−1.8
Gonzales	84,926	96,374	97,167	97,255	103,848	na	1.8	6.8	6.1
Grambling	0	3,317	4,800	4,320	na	na	na	−10.0	na
Gramercy	14,109	15,383	14,661	15,609	14,668	14,532	−9.4	−0.9	na
Grand Coteau	2,966	3,246	2,097	1,999	3,825	2,322	−22.2	−39.3	6.1
Greensburg	5,658	2,626	3,277	2,630	6,158	na	18.7	134.1	−13.8
Gueydan	5,646	7,264	10,059	7,710	7,479	8,660	na	15.8	na
Hall Summit	264	808	193	671	409	485	49.2	18.6	39.6
Hammond	270,371	317,306	397,698	423,451	312,282	350,373	105.2	12.2	104.8

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Haughton	2,949	2,481	2,380	na	na	na	2.6	−4.1	−5.4
Haynesville	13,787	12,572	12,572	14,901	14,537	9,864	−51.3	−32.1	−18.3
Henderson	5,847	4,142	4,544	4,686	4,421	5,541	26.4	25.3	30.8
Homer	24,186	22,257	21,581	26,690	23,936	na	7.1	−10.3	na
Iberia Parish Police Jury	564,892	470,415	489,000	541,841	506,135	467,750	−13.8	−7.6	−24.3
Independence	11,669	10,712	10,092	12,673	10,979	10,595	−21.1	−3.5	36.6
Iota	4,494	4,459	3,787	4,240	4,393	3,491	−17.7	−20.5	−9.5
Iowa	7,140	14,483	8,102	8,815	9,966	8,463	−9.2	−15.1	6.1
Jeanerette	29,319	30,486	28,671	27,429	30,585	24,120	−31.5	−21.1	−6.9
Jennings	82,851	82,113	103,663	na	na	na	−14.3	26.2	−14.7
Jonesboro	56,029	57,480	54,968	59,516	57,927	54,662	−9.0	−5.6	6.2
Jonesville	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Kaplan	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Kentwood	17,433	15,600	17,855	14,737	18,706	15,899	−14.9	−15.0	−0.5
Kinder	13,209	16,118	15,150	16,911	14,969	na	na	−11.5	na
Krotz Springs	4,767	4,890	3,807	3,773	na	na	na	−0.9	na
Lafayette	930,113	1,107,461	1,023,590	1,065,440	1,092,126	1,019,159	−10.4	−6.7	−10.4
Lafayette Parish Police Jury	218,926	306,219	247,840	244,721	255,631	225,901	−46.2	−11.6	−41.6
Lake Arthur	17,775	21,863	32,921	na	na	na	182.9	50.6	46.6
Lake Charles	538,656	650,253	571,685	616,315	622,107	560,040	−14.3	−10.0	−2.3
Lake Providence	13,976	20,286	17,906	16,800	21,674	na	−11.6	29.0	na
Leesville	68,581	77,935	na	na	na	na	28.2	13.6	24.3
Lincoln Parish Police Jury	133,548	118,279	141,462	138,662	110,971	166,965	88.0	50.5	35.9
Livingston	3,506	6,322	5,105	5,319	6,175	4,670	−9.2	−24.4	17.8
Lockport	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Logansport	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Loreauville	3,332	3,577	3,752	3,225	3,475	3,054	−38.8	−12.1	−11.2
Lutcher	8,835	8,132	10,461	9,097	11,397	9,093	−5.8	−20.2	−6.3
Madison Parish Police Jury	19,614	22,115	20,285	20,168	21,494	18,491	−24.8	−14.0	−3.1
Madisonville	2,387	3,361	3,393	3,732	3,093	3,840	na	24.2	na
Mamou	11,676	12,700	10,479	13,742	na	na	22.3	31.1	3.0
Mandeville	44,405	50,765	63,260	67,758	63,743	71,494	83.9	12.2	30.6
Mangham	1,710	2,118	3,190	2,617	2,412	2,339	−15.1	−3.0	−4.5
Mansfield	40,424	49,837	41,963	43,056	49,051	37,771	−19.9	−23.0	−5.3
Marksville	38,439	49,453	46,520	46,377	46,331	45,500	−9.3	−1.8	−1.8
Maurice	2,590	3,785	2,618	4,173	1,994	3,165	−10.8	58.7	4.0
Many	32,463	36,973	36,463	36,059	39,030	34,059	−9.3	−12.7	4.3
Melville	3,657	4,693	5,104	4,114	4,194	3,735	−25.2	−10.9	−16.1
Mermentau	1,181	1,178	640	734	1,471	1,203	69.2	−18.2	19.7
Mer Rouge	3,724	4,510	5,283	5,027	4,351	7,315	30.9	68.1	−5.5
Merryville	2,626	3,266	3,014	2,820	na	na	na	−6.4	na
Minden	76,242	83,669	86,289	90,499	97,647	74,464	−18.9	−23.7	1.1
Monroe	982,789	1,012,965	975,409	1,091,136	1,091,209	1,173,869	105.8	7.6	52.1
Monroe School Board	152,996	152,145	144,433	160,470	161,956	168,617	21.4	4.1	7.3
Moreauville	2,999	2,972	2,855	3,171	2,315	2,697	7.0	16.5	−5.1
Morse	1,827	1,572	1,594	1,595	1,624	1,572	−44.2	−3.2	−18.9
Napoleonville	4,552	6,273	4,530	4,876	8,464	4,208	−16.6	−50.3	6.4
Natchitoches	190,229	209,373	207,503	214,066	239,478	230,575	22.2	−3.7	1.7
New Iberia	303,831	363,614	324,267	349,301	348,038	306,121	−28.5	−12.0	−9.5
New Llano	8,066	4,943	3,710	5,359	4,075	6,486	6.2	59.2	16.1
New Orleans	11,702,607	8,351,573	10,334,138	8,013,162	8,208,296	9,700,650	−7.8	18.2	23.1
New Roads	22,731	20,668	19,082	37,639	36,491	36,824	54.6	0.9	4.4
Oakdale	24,611	29,761	27,327	28,388	29,408	25,778	−13.6	−12.3	−4.7
Oak Grove	17,388	18,431	20,613	21,807	22,886	19,612	−1.6	−14.3	2.7
Oberlin	4,799	7,692	5,235	5,876	4,897	7,298	24.6	49.0	4.3
Oil City	7,539	7,139	6,546	7,942	8,806	6,807	−36.9	−22.7	−12.6
Opelousas	223,918	245,967	231,430	236,859	258,930	228,664	−11.5	−11.7	−2.1
Ouachita Parish Police Jury	212,890	208,895	200,899	227,179	232,363	227,008	25.5	−2.3	2.8
Pearl River	8,230	6,473	5,103	5,844	5,554	na	24.1	−5.0	−0.3
Pine Prairie	2,521	3,123	3,121	2,799	5,346	3,819	154.9	−28.6	12.2
Pineville	60,892	66,904	60,286	62,057	72,041	55,666	−14.7	−22.7	3.1
Plain Dealing	6,769	6,120	7,094	7,344	6,178	na	6.3	−15.9	14.7
Plaquemine Parish Commission Council	255,727	349,667	361,728	265,610	334,742	262,180	−31.8	−21.7	−20.1
Plaucheville	704	1,069	840	798	866	826	−14.3	−4.6	−11.6
Pleasant Hill	1,244	1,045	685	1,358	709	709	−43.4	0.0	na
Pollock	901	1,249	1,043	1,563	1,366	1,333	23.3	−2.4	30.4
Ponchatoula	54,946	62,416	60,819	69,010	67,259	58,792	2.7	−12.6	90.4

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Port Allen	23,259	28,083	30,661	27,575	31,744	28,005	-6.1	-11.8	1.0
Port Barre	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Rayne	67,734	71,936	61,131	64,275	73,036	56,967	-27.2	-22.0	-8.7
Rayville	36,018	39,281	42,168	39,468	44,509	37,699	-3.0	-15.3	0.7
Red River Parish Police Jury	27,732	41,366	26,333	24,537	47,010	29,680	-22.1	-36.9	-11.4
Ringold	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Roseland	4,602	4,847	4,911	5,109	5,325	4,382	-18.0	-17.7	71.6
Rosepine	1,697	2,076	1,752	1,458	1,693	1,201	-22.1	-29.1	15.9
Ruston	69,028	62,989	75,428	73,168	61,390	82,012	16.6	33.6	6.4
St. Bernard Parish Police Jury	607,478	467,728	501,029	804,993	560,062	676,604	25.3	20.8	7.4
St. Charles Parish Police Jury	205,071	235,189	255,432	224,627	360,690	251,170	-20.8	-30.4	-15.6
St. Francisville	13,641	17,810	16,106	15,717	19,048	15,185	-7.8	-20.3	17.9
St. James Parish Council	123,879	224,070	227,333	139,057	910,010	187,716	13.5	-79.4	na
St. Martinville	29,041	34,818	30,613	31,189	33,133	30,841	-6.6	-6.9	-7.5
Rapides Parish	710,681	731,000	724,164	727,182	779,945	649,499	-17.7	-16.7	1.7
Sarepta	738	1,284	1,087	1,694	927	na	-40.3	-45.3	22.9
Scott	21,712	23,004	25,571	24,486	25,897	27,682	10.8	6.9	-4.0
Shreveport	2,066,717	2,151,762	2,063,996	2,145,005	2,265,450	1,899,359	-21.4	-16.2	-1.0
Sibley	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Simmesport	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Slidell	215,832	199,651	210,897	218,687	186,398	245,069	35.2	31.5	6.9
Springfield	2,246	1,975	2,381	2,001	1,925	2,132	6.5	10.8	23.9
Springhill	37,383	47,416	39,178	40,725	48,306	34,946	-23.1	-27.7	-0.6
Sulphur	216,588	239,702	234,841	231,489	230,779	235,095	3.7	1.9	-2.4
Sun	320	539	1,637	446	632	362	-26.4	-42.7	na
Sunset	9,967	8,169	9,633	7,070	4,101	11,868	21.3	189.4	na
Tallulah	20,695	27,021	23,674	24,944	26,972	25,267	0.0	-6.3	0.3
Tangipahoa	1,632	1,981	1,302	1,333	1,652	1,297	-35.0	-21.5	2.5
Tensas Parish Police Jury	20,944	42,103	26,412	23,044	na	na	-19.0	-12.8	0.5
Thibodaux	188,583	246,584	210,297	216,865	234,389	189,696	-19.8	-19.1	-2.6
Tickfaw	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Vermillion Parish Police Jury	412,177	300,235	392,790	392,079	301,585	na	-22.0	-23.1	na
Vidalia	26,877	34,149	29,258	27,311	32,047	33,180	11.2	3.5	19.3
Village Of Parks	3,921	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	5.0
Ville Platte	44,737	46,581	44,538	41,128	51,138	38,532	-16.0	-24.7	-0.9
Vinton	22,010	23,614	20,255	21,078	21,758	na	34.2	3.2	2.2
Vivian	22,555	25,993	25,767	27,954	30,691	23,587	-13.7	-23.1	2.7
Walker	8,608	27,622	8,233	10,202	na	na	59.6	23.9	49.8
Washington	4,257	3,818	5,148	3,550	3,491	3,863	-8.8	10.7	-1.9
Welsh	13,442	15,549	14,174	15,687	16,545	12,552	-37.0	-24.1	-18.7
West Ascension Parish Hospital Service District	20,638	28,827	22,103	25,264	31,205	28,452	7.0	-8.8	-10.7
Westlake	40,487	61,142	50,017	48,301	56,558	45,722	-8.9	-19.2	-2.0
West Monroe	252,358	247,656	224,416	243,344	238,948	250,715	25.9	4.9	18.0
Winnsboro	38,611	51,349	42,340	46,962	52,768	44,166	-10.2	-16.3	-1.1
Wisner	4,347	6,071	5,645	6,321	7,053	5,746	-6.1	-18.5	4.2
Youngsville	13,283	15,157	11,880	10,199	11,399	11,468	22.8	0.6	10.7
Zachary	75,904	86,144	99,690	94,461	89,981	80,308	-9.4	-10.8	12.6

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Acadia Parish	290,274	395,213	312,492	351,473	475,728	298,859	−22.8	−37.2	6.0
Allen Parish	42,764	68,666	61,130	58,534	71,632	61,752	15.0	−13.8	−6.4
Ascension Parish	324,634	421,176	327,862	363,472	329,103	475,841	20.2	44.6	−9.5
Assumption Parish	45,221	77,076	60,822	62,660	60,309	54,115	−7.3	−10.3	−15.8
Avoyelles Parish	85,286	130,140	112,402	125,369	141,263	95,411	−12.8	−32.5	−8.7
Beauregard Parish	148,498	204,724	191,423	203,897	158,308	151,746	−12.3	−4.1	−10.0
Bienville Parish	22,099	45,867	28,618	63,445	32,940	24,397	−7.8	−25.9	−1.4
Bossier Parish	438,349	587,238	523,031	565,485	657,496	594,252	−8.3	−9.6	8.4
Caddo Parish	3,332,886	3,752,946	3,340,694	3,598,093	3,782,769	3,260,536	−8.0	−13.8	−6.7
Calcasieu Parish	1,606,214	2,052,036	1,785,692	1,854,491	2,246,583	1,695,391	−17.8	−24.5	−5.5
Caldwell Parish	24,541	32,725	29,331	26,661	32,534	32,170	−15.1	−1.1	−16.7
Cameron Parish	27,623	35,382	35,507	36,149	100,099	24,292	−37.6	−75.7	−61.9
Catahoula Parish	29,812	59,135	52,078	46,957	52,270	56,132	1.9	7.4	−9.6
Claiborne Parish	61,507	72,086	58,875	64,326	67,506	72,013	15.4	6.7	−7.0
Concordia Parish	61,507	81,198	86,086	93,804	102,269	83,898	1.3	−18.0	−5.3
Desoto Parish	95,196	134,854	113,434	115,393	95,724	103,821	16.1	8.5	−22.0
East Baton Rouge Parish	4,913,826	5,912,246	6,007,703	5,791,288	6,070,495	5,617,379	0.4	−7.5	−4.8
East Carroll Parish	24,466	40,024	42,554	33,888	42,947	44,393	8.2	3.4	−13.1
East Feliciana Parish	29,844	36,719	32,573	29,793	39,430	25,112	13.2	−36.3	−16.6
Evangeline Parish	81,542	120,544	103,994	106,823	116,049	96,164	−5.2	−17.1	−3.6
Franklin Parish	53,277	85,117	75,361	83,717	90,747	71,265	14.8	−21.5	−0.3
Grant Parish	9,857	14,117	4,443	15,279	17,135	11,376	−16.7	−33.6	−15.6
Iberia Parish	485,450	559,740	564,579	587,202	670,099	528,399	−30.7	−21.1	−28.0
Iberville Parish	150,941	149,587	157,252	178,585	250,913	246,559	42.4	−1.7	6.1
Jackson Parish	55,124	75,885	68,282	88,526	70,335	100,366	−14.6	42.7	−20.5
Jefferson Parish	4,114,447	5,201,456	4,809,972	4,990,232	5,741,539	5,247,636	10.6	−8.6	−3.0
Jefferson−Davis Parish	129,032	154,042	146,440	143,582	162,579	156,478	−15.3	−3.8	−26.7
Lafayette Parish	2,685,235	3,357,423	2,798,632	2,992,100	3,607,072	2,585,734	−31.7	−28.3	−24.8
Lafourche Parish	338,252	482,323	495,576	421,929	500,336	348,463	−15.2	−30.4	−7.9
Lasalle Parish	76,582	70,736	64,626	66,644	65,187	65,463	−44.7	0.4	−17.9
Lincoln Parish	199,033	322,767	242,151	266,227	291,174	247,835	−12.9	−14.9	−8.8
Livingston Parish	130,456	182,953	162,690	200,437	220,653	258,295	74.8	17.1	13.8
Madison Parish	35,100	41,216	39,146	39,227	43,368	38,742	−13.4	−10.7	−11.2
Morehouse Parish	98,115	147,022	130,231	113,143	188,679	149,447	−32.4	−20.8	−17.9
Natchitoches Parish	154,189	206,476	204,564	218,545	146,069	189,455	0.4	29.7	−6.2
Orleans Parish	8,904,614	10,281,360	8,934,594	10,942,028	9,616,798	9,406,403	0.7	−2.2	−6.5
Ouachita Parish	1,513,736	1,951,371	1,771,981	1,771,530	1,944,342	1,676,865	2.7	−13.8	2.9
Plaquemines Parish	243,641	395,202	277,298	413,261	318,029	238,045	−33.7	−25.1	−31.9
Pointe Coupe Parish	68,516	84,399	61,563	81,451	87,468	65,160	−1.1	−25.5	−16.5
Rapides Parish	869,831	1,149,762	1,072,006	1,126,338	1,301,642	1,102,105	8.8	−15.3	9.0
Red River Parish	25,841	33,014	29,671	28,085	33,261	26,071	−18.2	−21.7	−13.0
Richland Parish	50,391	82,148	70,337	80,207	90,548	126,912	38.6	40.2	−4.7
Sabine Parish	77,191	109,260	57,808	4,844	110,499	86,607	−3.7	−21.6	−12.0
St. Bernard Parish	167,310	233,815	234,542	200,213	259,538	44,634	−83.4	−82.8	−19.0
St. Charles Parish	179,313	202,640	208,199	307,564	279,936	136,119	−78.9	−51.4	13.7

St. Helena Parish	4,757	9,098	2,891	17,462	11,581	8,705	194.0	-24.8	-14.8
St. James Parish	137,455	118,503	81,639	77,813	99,275	66,258	-24.6	-33.3	6.7
St. John Parish	179,835	197,135	169,558	257,225	209,290	202,199	-22.0	-3.4	-15.1
St. Landry Parish	383,265	486,831	427,438	122,452	515,228	388,120	-26.1	-24.7	-18.2
St. Martin Parish	114,037	168,820	141,603	166,278	158,925	125,205	-20.0	-21.2	-9.2
St. Mary Parish	543,257	588,976	593,598	616,397	587,690	550,504	-56.1	-6.3	-38.3
St. Tammany Parish	501,114	660,120	634,948	728,927	836,305	683,487	27.7	-18.3	21.6
Tangipahoa Parish	377,409	500,956	433,434	500,430	571,691	422,930	-7.0	-26.0	6.8
Tensas Parish	7,920	23,006	14,674	18,776	20,171	16,208	-15.8	-19.6	-21.9
Terrebonne Parish	710,376	1,683,915	820,559	923,350	927,699	776,197	-20.5	-16.3	-17.8
Union Parish	39,300	55,876	75,395	50,234	70,067	53,773	2.1	-23.3	15.3
Vermillion Parish	319,535	289,689	264,339	284,249	253,258	258,568	-4.9	2.1	-19.5
Vernon Parish	142,326	222,496	169,511	166,748	198,959	171,663	33.1	-13.7	34.0
Washington Parish	109,278	156,302	147,485	157,401	163,060	140,567	2.2	-13.8	-19.8
Webster Parish	188,690	266,929	238,961	211,308	235,831	175,774	-18.2	-25.5	-3.9
West Baton Rouge Parish	203,632	236,082	206,031	216,629	202,858	258,841	-4.9	27.6	-18.3
West Carroll Parish	25,377	42,731	46,757	40,498	43,814	39,299	-7.5	-10.3	-12.1
West Feliciana Parish	86,017	176,030	776,051	165,423	133,569	167,209	-42.3	25.2	41.6
Winn Parish	52,164	73,449	63,[illegible]94	70,919	82,800	80,821	19.5	-2.4	8.4
Out Of State	14,319,440	17,453,644	20,45[illegible]6	16,523,332	18,956,838	20,613,147	10.2	8.7	-11.5
Invalid	5,522	775	5,702	1,247	671	na	-99.2	-46.2	196.7
Total Sales Tax	50,950,537	63,245,188	61,761,007	59,929,466	65,063,000	61,132,321	-2.9	-6.0	-9.4

Louisiana Tourist Traffic Data

Visitors To Selected Tourist Attractions

							Per Cent Change		
							Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
	Mar 83	Apr 83	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Same Month Prior Year	Prior Month	
Audubon State Commemorative Area	13,224	9,283	10,645	8,153	8,631	6,685	-28.4	-22.5	-10.9
Camp Moore State Commemorative Area	1,112	302	549	470	496	391	17.4	-21.2	28.7
Chemin-A-Haut State Park	2,208	3,749	4,941	12,463	8,836	7,088	20.9	-19.8	-14.5
Chicot State Park	31,856	26,278	31,190	36,034	40,588	26,388	-58.6	-35.0	-27.0
Cypremort Point State Park	4,948	10,012	27,960	10,732	13,970	12,808	0.0	-8.3	-33.6
Edward Douglass White Memorial	50	132	105	44	129	27	-51.8	-79.1	-57.2
Fairview-Riverside State Park	15,327	8,109	21,060	12,714	27,850	23,920	-10.1	-14.1	-17.7
Fontainbleau State Park	10,536	22,736	33,156	34,420	48,112	16,108	-26.1	-66.5	15.9
Fort Jesup State Commemorative Area	5,384	5,472	5,746	1,268	5,890	3,240	-50.5	-45.0	-5.6
Fort Pike State Commemorative Area	1,466	13,400	26,834	10,000	11,000	9,000	20.0	-18.2	33.9
Fort St. Jean Baptiste	791	1,338	2,609	1,080	1,691	908	na	-46.3	na
Grand Isle State Park	9,420	20,000	37,109	25,000	32,101	27,000	-46.2	-15.9	-23.4
Hodges Gardens	9,151	15,527	7,565	4,998	4,267	3,192	-21.1	-25.2	-5.4
Indian Creek Recreational Area	8,411	11,797	22,445	25,042	30,607	15,509	5.2	-49.3	7.9
Kent House State Commemorative Area	627	1,044	1,120	589	590	na	-31.9	0.2	-12.2
Lake Bistineau State Park	7,593	10,599	16,070	13,898	27,878	13,439	-7.2	-51.8	-15.2
Lake Bruin State Park	5,586	47,329	5,870	3,784	2,838	3,410	-69.7	20.2	33.3
Lake Claiborne State Park	7,025	7,880	14,378	11,840	64,368	29,220	578.3	-54.6	197.9
Lake D'Arbonne State Park	2,623	2,717	5,737	6,184	6,478	2,743	4.7	-57.7	-0.2
Longfellow-Evangeline State Park	18,346	24,882	19,558	16,120	21,704	13,594	-43.5	-37.4	-43.1
Los Adeas	28	28	32	26	24	29	na	20.8	na
Louisiana State Exhibit Museum, Shreveport	44,800	45,800	36,400	32,300	27,600	24,800	-1.6	-10.1	-3.5
Louisiana State Fairgrounds	26,376	156,200	78,564	13,900	16,583	25,525	-6.5	53.9	3.5
Louisiana State Museum, New Orleans	20,432	21,565	20,434	14,852	15,516	10,876	-46.2	-29.9	-14.7
Mansfield State Commemorative Area	3,351	4,424	3,676	2,300	4,120	4,084	103.0	-0.9	-22.3
Marksville State Commemorative Area	1,145	1,215	1,145	1,135	1,505	995	-0.5	-33.9	-5.9
Old Arsenal Museum	6,673	8,796	8,983	5,363	8,074	5,884	-11.4	-27.1	-1.2
Old State Capitol	6,894	6,759	7,915	5,355	7,575	5,542	-13.6	-26.8	-0.4
Plaquemine Locks	59	61	223	87	204	135	42.1	-33.8	na
Port Hudson	6,819	9,528	8,396	5,664	9,546	5,864	na	-38.6	na
Poverty Point State Commemorative Area	1,118	1,215	1,825	4,225	4,469	3,425	-35.8	-23.4	-53.4
Rebel State Commemorative Area	1,266	1,949	2,633	4,331	2,020	2,194	136.4	8.6	32.4
St. Bernard State Park	15,732	11,544	8,030	3,216	2,200	3,734	98.2	69.7	-0.5
Sam Houston Jones State Park	25,363	43,046	50,165	36,527	31,123	23,032	-29.5	-26.0	-11.0
Winter Parks Commemorative Area	0	59	397	136	119	165	na	38.7	na

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Greenwood	11,651	11,306	15,982	20,625	24,662	19,647	6.8	-20.3	10.2
Kentwood (I-55)	9,107	7,714	7,488	9,377	11,559	9,276	-13.8	-19.8	-13.3
Louisiana State Capitol	24,946	29,319	25,264	19,294	23,848	21,276	-17.8	-10.8	-15.8
Mound Center (I-20 W)	8,735	8,783	11,675	18,038	20,369	13,587	-2.0	-33.3	16.1
New Orleans	16,859	13,208	11,644	11,465	11,327	12,329	25.0	8.8	24.7
Pearl River (I-59)	31,264	84,075	59,276	90,815	113,431	106,250	154.1	-6.3	62.9
St. Francisville	5,494	3,859	4,003	3,877	4,305	3,913	4.2	-9.1	5.0
Slidell (I-10 W)	59,738	28,412	56,742	69,702	70,951	73,470	4.5	3.6	-16.6
Toledo Bend	3,316	3,031	2,212	2,533	3,119	2,300	2.0	-26.3	1.2
Vidalia	1,965	1,472	1,550	1,652	2,093	1,636	3.6	-21.8	3.5
Vinton (I-10 E)	26,994	19,979	21,802	31,168	38,201	25,816	4.0	-32.4	15.7

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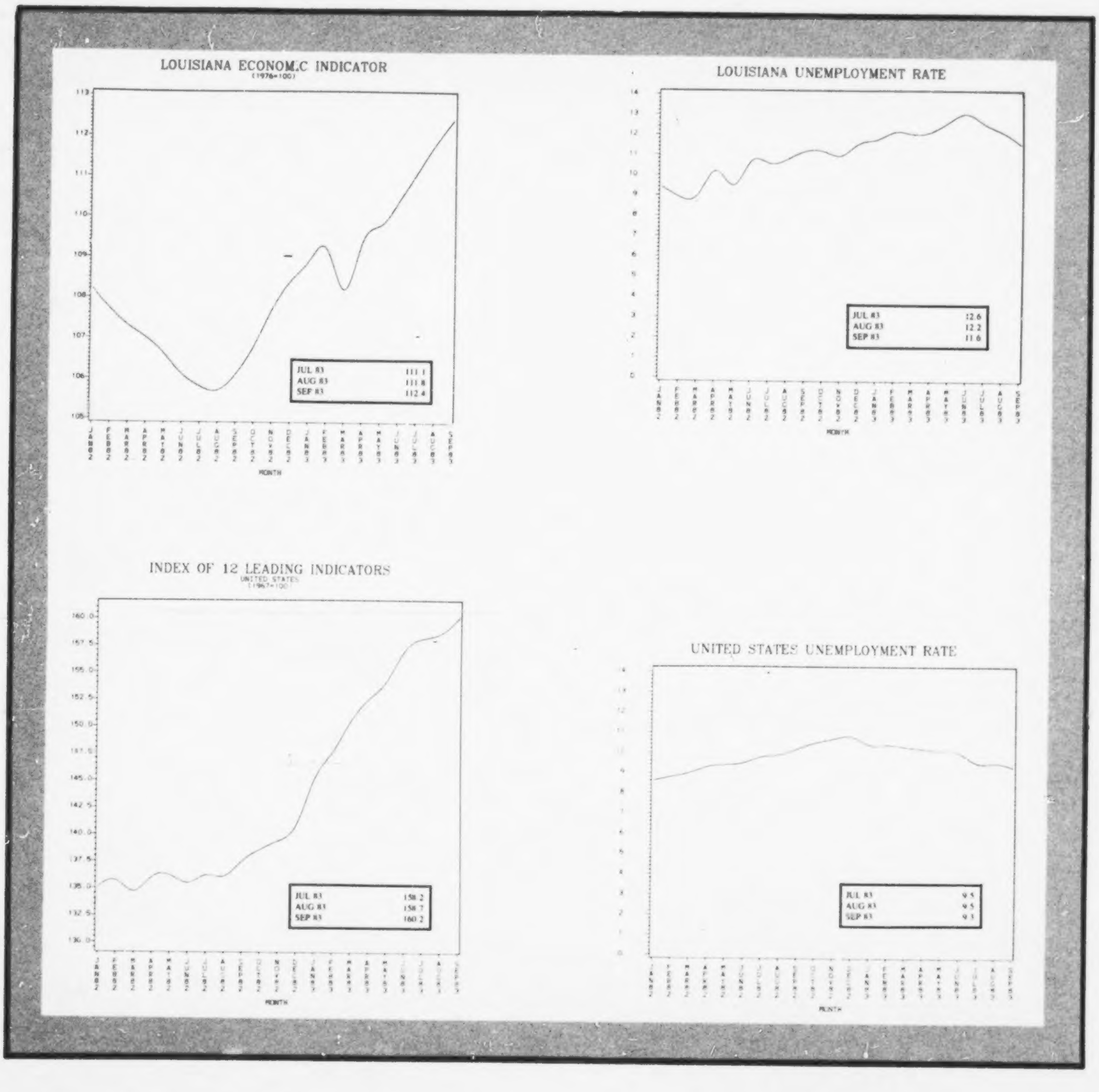

LOUISIANA ECONOMIC INDICATOR (1976=100)

LOUISIANA UNEMPLOYMENT RATE

INDEX OF 12 LEADING INDICATORS UNITED STATES (1967=100)

UNITED STATES UNEMPLOYMENT RATE

The Louisiana Economic Indicators increased 6 tenths of one percent in September continuing the steady, although moderate, growth of the indicator during the past few months. This trend suggests that the state should continue to experience moderate economic expansion during the next six months. The state unemployment rate which decreased from a revised rate of 12.2 percent in August, 1983 to 11.6 percent in September, 1983 (and a preliminary figure of 10.9% for October) is indicative of the gradual economic improvement in Louisiana. The enemployment rate for the United States was 9.1 percent in September and 8.7 percent for October (preliminary). Thus, Louisiana's unemployment rate was considerably above the national level. The unemployment rates among the major metropolitan areas of Louisiana varied between a low of 5.9 percent for Lafayette to 14.7 percent for Lake Charles.

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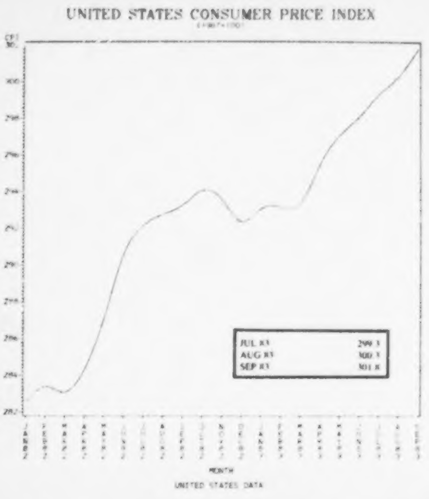

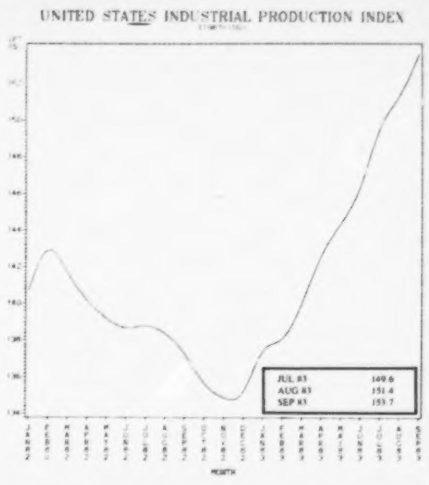

Economic Indicators: INTERNATIONAL

							Per Cent Change		
							Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
	Mar 83	Apr 83	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Same Month Prior Year	Prior Month	
GENERAL TRADE INFORMATION ($ MILLION)									
Trade Weighted Dollar (May 29, 1970=100)	99.7	100.1	100.3	102.1	103.2	104.4	2.6	1.2	4.3
Exports, F.A.S. Value	16751.6	16073.8	15566.4	17008.3	16628.5	16630.2	−4.8	0.0	−10.9
Imports, Customs Value	19525.2	19771.1	21514.4	21024.4	21949.9	22782.3	−0.6	3.8	−2.3
Merchandise Trade Balance	−2773.6	−3697.3	−5948.0	−4016.1	−5321.4	−6152.1	12.5	15.6	66.4
Dairy Products	−0.9	9.3	1.7	1.6	−1.7	−4.2	23.5	147.1	na
Fish and Fish Preparations	−241.8	−188.8	−246.7	−257.3	−191.4	−127.5	24.6	−33.4	na
Meats and Meat Preparations	−56.8	−62.7	−92.7	−86.3	−98.1	−92.5	−35.7	−5.7	40.6
Vegetables and Fruit	−102.3	−101.4	−145.9	−21.3	11.3	−23.8	235.2	−310.6	na
Hides and Skins	71.5	46.8	60.2	51.6	64.4	53.6	8.1	−16.8	na
Metal Ores and Concentrates	−2.7	50.0	7.2	4.3	−23.4	−38.7	−63.0	65.4	na
Paper Base Stocks	40.4	69.2	19.4	26.9	26.8	31.9	114.1	19.0	na
Petroleum and Petroleum Products	−2879.1	−2847.9	−4327.2	−3951.0	−4522.4	−4983.5	−9.3	10.2	−18.5
Chemical Elements and Compounds	140.7	144.2	127.3	362.8	229.1	292.4	21.8	27.6	na
Fertilizers and Fertilizer Materials	8.8	−4.0	35.2	68.3	42.7	53.6	6.8	25.5	na
Medicinal and Pharmaceutical Products	171.5	152.7	144.9	145.4	130.6	127.0	7.8	−2.8	na
Iron and Steel	−342	−336	−438	−391	−440	−507	−18.2	15.2	na
Machinery	1242.0	927.5	759.1	603.9	474.4	232.4	−70.9	−51.0	na
Metal Manufactures	−49.4	−37.0	−45.2	−62.3	−94.6	−81.6	−37.1	−13.7	na
Paper and Paperboard	−134.2	−104.2	−120.8	−162.8	−113.8	−154.7	44.0	35.9	na
Textile Yarn	−25.6	−40.2	−58.9	−81.2	−103.1	−91.6	39.8	−11.2	na
Tires and Tubes For Tires	5.0	−0.8	−100.0	−82.2	−105.3	−90.4	−16.6	−14.2	na
Transport Equipment	−250.4	−814.8	−1179.1	−154.9	−908.9	−1359.8	80.8	49.6	na
Raw Cotton	159.2	207.3	157.5	150.4	145.2	137.0	25.9	−5.6	−21.8
Rice, Grains, & Cereal Preparations	1413.3	1244.3	1171.9	1308.7	1178.5	1134.7	−7.7	−3.7	−13.8
Soybeans	537.0	473.9	388.8	450.6	341.9	445.1	16.7	30.2	−8.7

Economic Indicators: UNITED STATES

	Mar 83	Apr 83	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Per Cent Change		
							Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
							Same Month Prior Year	Prior Month	
PRODUCER PRICE INDEXES (1967=100)									
Finished Goods	283.4	283.0	284.3	285.0	285.2	286.2	1.3	0.4	2.6
Finished Consumer Goods	282.5	282.0	283.5	284.4	285.2	285.6	1.0	0.1	2.3
Intermediate Materials	309.2	309.1	310.1	311.7	313.0	314.4	1.1	0.4	0.2
Crude Materials	322.1	325.7	325.7	323.2	320.6	326.9	2.0	2.0	−0.5
CONSUMER PRICE INDEXES (1967=100)									
All Items	293.4	295.5	297.1	298.1	299.3	300.3	2.6	0.3	3.7
Food and Beverages	283.2	284.6	285.0	284.7	284.7	284.9	1.8	0.1	2.6
Housing	318.6	320.3	321.8	323.1	324.5	324.8	1.5	0.1	3.5
Apparel and Upkeep	194.5	195.5	196.1	195.6	195.0	197.3	2.9	1.2	2 2
Transportation	287.4	292.3	296.2	298.3	300.4	302.4	2.1	0.7	2.1
Medical Care	352.3	353.5	354.3	355.4	357.7	360.0	8.0	0.6	10.1
Entertainment	244.6	244.6	244.8	245.4	246.0	246.6	3.9	0.2	5.1
INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION INDEXES (1967=100)									
Total Index	140.0	142.6	144.4	146.4	149.6	151.4	9.4	1.2	−1.1
Energy	131.9	133.9	133.8	133.6	138.6	138.9	3.0	0.2	−2.3
Durable Consumer Goods	136.3	140.5	145.5	149.2	153.0	154.3	16.1	0.8	5.1
Nondurable Consumer Goods	147.5	150.5	152.3	153.6	155.8	156.6	5.4	0.5	1.2
Business Equipment	143.7	146.9	147.7	150.2	153.0	154.8	0.6	1.2	−12.2
Defense and Space Equipment	117.0	118.2	117.6	118.0	120.0	121.5	11.0	1.2	9.0
Construction Supplies	133.1	136.4	138.4	142.1	145.8	148.6	16.9	1.9	4.3
Business Supplies	162.3	165.2	166.0	166.8	170.3	173.3	6.9	1.8	−0.2
Durable Goods Materials	128.7	132.4	134.7	137.0	140.9	143.9	15.0	2.1	−3.6
Nondurable Goods Materials	167.5	168.7	172.1	174.3	176.4	178.3	15.4	1.1	3.2
Energy Materials	121.9	121.6	121.1	121.8	127.8	128.0	2.8	0.2	−3.7
Home Goods and Clothing	122.0	126.3	129.2	130.2	132.3	134.0	10.5	1.3	2.0
GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY (1967=100)									
Index of 12 Leading Indicators	150.5	152.4	154.2	157.1	158.3	158.1	16.2	−0.1	8.8
Index of 4 Roughly Coincident Indicators	134.6	135.6	137.9	139.8	140.8	140.2	3.7	−0.4	−2.9
Index Of 6 Lagging Indicators	114.2	113.4	110.7	109.5	109.6	110.3	−9.8	0.6	−8.2
Index of Coincident to Lagging Ratio	117.9	119.6	124.6	127.7	128.5	127.1	15.0	−1.1	5.9
Housing Starts, Privately Owned	134,600	135,800	174,900	173,200	159,600	179,700	87.2	12.6	63.8
Housing Starts, Publically Owned	1,200	600	600	600	400	900	−25.0	125.0	−22.9
FINANCE									
Percent Yield On 3−Month Federal Securities	8.30	8.25	8.19	8.79	9.08	9.39	4.2	3.4	−32.1
Percent Yield on State and Local Bonds	8.42	8.28	8.39	8.76	8.70	9.04	−15.4	3.9	−23.3
Average Percent Yield on Corporate Bonds	12.72	12.44	12.30	12.54	12.73	13.01	−13.6	2.2	−17.4
M1 : Currency + Demand Deposits ($ Billion)	497.6	496.5	507.4	511.7	515.5	516.7	12.7	0.2	10.3
M2 : M1 + Other Checkable Deposits ($ Billion)	2069.9	2074.8	2096.2	2114.4	2126.3	2136.9	12.3	0.5	11.1
Bank Debits ($ Billion)	102206.1	103022.3	107273.3	106799.4	107884.4	111538.1	17.2	3.4	16.9
Credit Union Deposits ($ Million)	53,480	57,379	59,071	57,830	61,395	61,029	23.3	−0.6	27.7
Savings & Loan Deposits ($ Million)	579,199	592,720	600,932	605,886	599,609	603,973	13.0	0.7	9.4
Commercial Bank Deposits ($ Million)	1,240,521	1,265,842	1,251,299	1,256,964	1,283,357	1,278,512	9.9	−0.4	11.1
EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS									
Civilian Noninstitutional Population (Millions)	173.7	173.8	174.0	174.1	174.3	174.4	1.1	0.1	1.2
Civilian Labor Force (Millions)	110.5	110.8	110.7	111.9	111.9	112.3	1.5	0.4	1.3
Percent of Population	63.6	63.7	63.7	64.3	64.2	64.4	0.5	0.3	0.2
Employed (Millions)	99.1	99.5	99.6	100.8	101.3	101.6	1.9	0.3	−0.1
Employment−Population Ratio	57.1	57.2	57.2	57.9	58.1	58.2	0.7	0.2	−1.2
Unemployed (Millions)	11.4	11.3	11.2	11.1	10.6	10.7	−1.8	0.9	16.0
Unemployment Rate	10.3	10.2	10.1	10.0	9.5	9.5	−4.0	0.0	14.8
LIFE INSURANCE STATISTICS									
Annualized Premium ($ 000)	371,888	362,994	355,609	384,088	335,876	364,851	21.0	8.6	16.2
Face Amount ($ 000)	39,515,663	38,083,742	37,972,459	40,757,804	35,028,671	38,369,254	27.2	9.5	27.2
Premium Per $1,000	9.41	9.53	9.36	9.42	9.59	9.51	−4.8	−0.8	−8.9
Average Policy Size	43,228	43,969	45,265	47,258	46,962	47,087	24.1	0.3	18.4
Premium Per Policy	407	419	424	445	450	448	18.2	−0.4	8.1
Number Of Ordinary Life Insurance Policies	914,126	866,144	838,896	862,456	745,900	814,852	2.5	9.2	7.4

Economic Indicators: LOUISIANA

	Apr 83	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Per Cent Change		
							Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
							Same Month Prior Year	Prior Month	
GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY									
Coal Exports (Tons)	703,284	486,117	733,310	632,983	556,039	765,443	na	37.7	na
Dissolutions	31	54	44	31	40	55	−6.8	37.5	na
New Corporations	938	916	1,210	1,216	1,005	1,287	−11.0	28.1	−15.8
Telephones In Service (000)	2844.5	2829.8	2800.6	2783.0	2772.6	2752.4	−4.9	−0.7	−2.1
Total Mortgage Loans Closed ($ Million)	211.3	253.3	221.4	218.8	257.0				
Unemployment Benefits Paid (000 Weeks)	376.1	361.5	379.2	307.5	342.7	273.1	−14.5	−20.3	46.6
Unemployment Benefits Paid ($ Million)	58.1	56.1	59.3	47.8	53.0	42.4	−7.8	−20.0	65.7
NEW CAR SALES									
Buick	1,133	1,178	1,271	1,080	1,429				
Cadillac	408	409	473	411	432				
Chevrolet	1,658	1,864	2,079	1,581	1,850				
Chrysler	291	265	326	275	315				
Datsun	847	788	901	713	887				
Dodge	272	359	406	413	361				
Ford	1,454	1,581	1,827	1,545	1,657				
Honda	260	264	351	268	376				
Lincoln	202	226	244	234	297				
Mazda	212	233	262	223	276				
Mercury	642	634	668	551	733				
Oldsmobile	1,783	1,736	2,209	1,809	2,185				
Plymouth	171	205	170	149	171				
Pontiac	694	747	974	784	932				
Renault	101	74	120	87	161				
Toyota	688	751	883	878	975				
Volkswagen	86	88	107	68	86				
Volvo	123	144	148	102	169				
Others	485	424	585	513	466				
Total	11,510	11,970	14,004	11,684	17,142				
NEW TRUCK SALES									
Chevrolet	1,659	1,648	2,061	1,701	1,926				
Datsun	174	181	237	243	306				
Dodge	532	528	644	434	529				
Ford	2,070	1,986	2,339	1,828	2,095				
GMC	529	514	580	462	539				
Mazda	129	83	132	101	176				
Toyota	303	325	502	421	547				
Others	330	267	308	246	318				
Total	5,726	5,532	6,803	5,436	6,436				
CRUDE PETROLEUM & LEASE CONDENSATE PRODUCTION									
North Louisiana (42−Gal Bbls (000))	2,850	2,945	2,850	2,945	2,945	2,790	−3.6	−5.3	0.1
South Louisiana (42−Gal Bbls (000))	36,000	37,262	36,150	37,355	36,735	36,210	3.7	−1.4	1.7
Crude Runs To Stills ((000) Bbls, Daily Avg)	1,611	1,746	1,710	1,656					
CONSTRUCTION									
Number Of Construction Contracts	3,352	3,659	4,005	4,066	3,442	3,454	61.6	0.3	46.9
Value of Construction Contracts ($ Million)									
Residential	140	172	174	189	185	161	35.4	−12.8	53.4
Nonresidential	121	83	145	101	157	77	−83.5	−50.8	−27.2
Nonbuilding	343	453	87	80	112	148	78.3	31.6	50.1
EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS (000)									
Nonagricultural	1589.6	1587.8	1585.0	1583.5	1573.9	1585.9	−1.3	0.8	−2.1
Wholesale And Retail Trade	364.5	365.1	365.2	366.3	366.9	367.4	−0.4	0.1	−0.6
Government	312.5	311.1	310.0	305.7	302.4	309.2	1.5	2.2	0.2
Services And Miscellaneous	307.7	308.3	307.0	306.2	306.3	307.6	1.0	0.4	2.4
Manufacturing	191.3	191.2	191.4	192.4	191.7	192.5	−4.5	0.4	−7.1
Transportation & Public Utilities	124.7	123.9	124.6	125.4	119.1	123.9	−3.6	4.0	−3.5
Construction	116.0	115.5	114.3	115.3	115.2	114.6	−6.1	−0.5	−11.3
Finance, Insurance, And Real Estate	79.7	80.1	80.2	80.5	80.5	80.2	0.9	−0.4	1.6
Mining	93.2	92.5	92.3	91.7	91.1	90.5	−5.8	−0.7	−5.0
Average Weekly Manufacturing Hours	39.7	39.9	40.7	40.4	39.6	41.0	4.6	3.5	1.0
Average Weekly Manufacturing Earnings	387.08	391.42	395.20	401.17	391.25	407.95	7.6	4.3	5.5
Unemployment Rate	12.2	12.7	13.1	12.6	12.0				
REVENUE COLLECTIONS ($ MILLION)									
Severance Tax	49.6	80.2	58.5	60.4	69.1	61.6	−17.1	−10.9	−11.1
General Sales Tax	63.2	61.7	59.9	65.0	61.1	60.5	−5.0	−1.0	−9.3
Motor Vehicle Tax	8.1	8.8	9.3	1.9	9.7	9.1	11.0	−6.2	−8.6
Gasoline Tax	14.4	13.5	14.2	13.1	13.4	13.8	1.5	3.0	−3.0
Individual Income Tax	10.9	31.6	21.0	23.7	31.3	24.4	−10.3	−22.0	0.6
Corporation Income Tax	33.0	51.3	49.4	3.2	7.1	45.4	17.3	539.4	7.4
Corporation Franchise Tax	4.1	58.8	3.6	2.3	5.0	5.8	28.9	16.0	14.7
Tobacco Tax And Permits	4.8	5.1	6.5	5.0	5.0	5.0	−12.3	0.0	−8.4
Alcoholic Beverages and Permits	4.7	4.3	4.8	5.2	4.3	5.1	8.5	18.6	−3.5
Inheritance Tax	3.1	3.3	2.4	2.2	2.3	3.8	65.2	65.2	9.2
Total Revenues	195.1	324.2	225.4	186.9	211.4	230.9	−3.7	9.2	−5.0

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NEW ORLEANS AREA

	Apr 83	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Per Cent Change: Latest Month: Same Month Prior Year	Per Cent Change: Latest Month: Prior Month	Per Cent Change: Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY									
Airline Cargo (Tons)	1,455	1,388	1,468	1,440	1,516				
Airline Passenger Boardings (000)	237	267	259	255	240	255	20.9	6.3	−0.4
Attendance Of Conventions And Meetings	51,996	58,477	48,718	36,487	43,612	37,598	−44.2	−13.8	−7.1
Average Weekly Manufacturing Earnings	358.02	336.97	345.98	347.90	340.96	366.68	5.9	7.5	0.7
Average Weekly Manufacturing Hours	39.3	37.4	38.7	38.4	37.8	39.9	7.8	5.6	−0.4
Highway Construction Contracts ($ Million)	0.00	0.00	0.00	347.84	401.55	388.32	0.0	−3.3	0.0
Newspaper Advertising Linage	49,699	50,120	51,609						
Ocean Shipments (000 (Tons))	1054.2	802.2	588.1	1352.0	1321.7	1364.7	1.1	3.3	−17.4
Telephones In Service	944,952	939,296	931,568	923,125	915,881	909,111	−5.5	−0.7	−2.3
Total Mortgage Loans Closed ($ Million)	114.8	165.3	133.9	113.4	142.1	na	204.3	25.3	132.7
CONSTRUCTION									
Number Of Construction Contracts	902	1,379	1,306	974	812	1,393	269.5	71.6	96.6
Value of Construction Contracts ($ Million)									
Residential	30	69	49	62	40	45	114.2	14.6	83.9
Nonresidential	40	27	39	25	25	40	−45.4	59.1	−32.1
EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS									
Total Civilian Labor Force (000)	509.6	508.1	514.7	520.6	523.1	518.6	0.9	−0.9	0.2
Total Employed (000)	454.0	451.3	455.4	463.2	465.7	464.0	0.5	−0.4	−2.0
Total Unemployed (000)	55.6	56.8	59.3	57.4	57.4	54.6	4.6	−4.9	22.6
Unemployment Rate	10.9	11.2	11.5	11.0	11.0	10.5	2.9	−4.5	22.5
NEW CAR SALES									
Buick	333	334	352	331	435				
Cadillac	118	157	131	145	148				
Chevrolet	399	517	498	405	547				
Chrylser	66	58	67	68	70				
Datsun	268	322	312	265	329				
Dodge	82	143	193	168	168				
Ford	421	513	580	589	583				
Honda	114	84	132	80	133				
Lincoln	59	70	80	68	91				
Mazda	66	76	73	72	101				
Mercury	205	191	196	144	196				
Oldsmobile	411	520	617	638	613				
Plymouth	38	88	41	58	52				
Pontiac	153	155	179	163	204				
Renault	65	52	81	45	75				
Toyota	235	254	333	327	338				
Volkswagen	28	39	47	37	33				
Volvo	47	62	59	370	40				
Others	171	198	237	167	214				
Total	3,279	3,833	4,208	4,140	4,370				
NEW TRUCK SALES									
Chevrolet	327	313	322	300	441				
Datsun	33	43	52	75	72				
Dodge	120	135	198	143	142				
Ford	547	560	649	503	559				
GMC	73	53	68	47	52				
Mazda	31	11	26	18	35				
Toyota	86	67	141	120	142				
Others	96	68	69	46	73				
Total	1,313	1,250	1,525	1,252	1,516				
REVENUE COLLECTIONS									
Retail Sales Tax − State	16,579,391	14,822,255	17,168,964	16,734,116	17,143,443	16,149,689	−2.8	−5.8	−3.7

Economic Indicators: LOUISIANA METROPOLITAN AREAS

BATON ROUGE AREA

GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY									
Airline Cargo (Tons)	121	107	124	135	114	125	2.5	9.6	0.2
Airline Passenger Boardings (000)	26.7	26.7	25.9	27.0	26.0	23.3	17.7	−10.4	3.8
Average Weekly Manufacturing Earnings	456.25	460.60	494.21	489.41	483.11	490.06	7.2	1.4	3.6
Average Weekly Manufacturing Hours	39.4	39.3	43.2	42.3	41.9	42.8	8.4	2.1	1.8
Classified Advertisement Linage	1,173,182	1,297,822	1,186,060	1,433,309	1,435,996	1,221,631	11.0	−14.9	2.4
Classified Advertisement Count	97,169	107,627	104,038	107,858	111,607	105,473	267.0	−5.5	13.2
Coal Exports (Tons)	10,487	195,592	25,528	91,933	121,389	161,077	0.0	32.7	0.0
Highway Construction Contracts ($ Million)	0.00	0.00	0.00	36.85	36.36	37.16	0.0	2.2	0.0
Newspaper Advertising Linage	3,707,436	4,037,808	3,760,761	3,629,105	3,827,475	3,969,219	6.8	3.7	5.1
Ocean Shipments ((000 Tons))	73.6	286.4	72.0	131.0	169.0	294.0	236.0	74.0	19.5
Telephones In Service	368,799	365,870	361,318	361,151	359,081	356,548	−5.0	−0.7	−2.1
Total Mortgage Loans Closed ($ Million)	7	18	20	26	23				
CONSTRUCTION									
Number Of Construction Contracts	630	700	894	647	960	647	22.3	−32.6	55.1
Value of Construction Contracts ($ Million)									
Residential	17	23	27	24	56	39	117.8	−30.1	92.9
Nonresidential	33	13	31	13	13	14	30.2	5.3	38.6
EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS									
Total Civilian Labor Force (000)	229.9	231.4	234.3	235.8	237.0	239.6	3.3	1.1	2.3
Total Employed (000)	207.0	207.0	207.7	210.1	212.2	216.7	3.9	2.1	0.4
Total Unemployed (000)	22.9	24.4	26.6	25.7	24.8	22.9	−1.7	−7.7	22.2
Unemployment Rate	10.0	10.5	11.4	10.9	10.5	9.6	−4.0	−8.6	19.7
NEW CAR SALES									
Buick	106	124	155	83	197				
Cadillac	57	35	71	44	63				
Chevrolet	241	168	267	212	218				
Chrysler	49	41	55	43	58				
Datsun	118	137	187	132	168				
Dodge	30	29	43	33	37				
Ford	191	167	265	202	237				
Honda	16	42	49	36	59				
Lincoln	23	15	34	15	32				
Mazda	20	20	28	31	24				
Mercury	58	46	57	40	65				
Oldsmobile	187	175	264	111	282				
Plymouth	22	24	28	28	31				
Pontiac	99	126	185	115	184				
Renault	0	0	0	1	10				
Toyota	234	241	256	283	330				
Volkswagen	26	24	23	7	15				
Volvo	49	38	54	23	84				
Others	97	82	129	138	128				
Total	1,623	1,534	2,150	1,577	2,222				
NEW TRUCK SALES									
Chevrolet	160	148	242	194	204				
Datsun	25	22	35	22	62				
Dodge	150	115	143	60	119				
Ford	248	235	285	261	305				
GMC	47	35	49	34	38				
Mazda	12	6	23	18	31				
Toyota	139	147	251	202	293				
Others	49	51	48	52	56				
Total	830	759	1,076	843	1,108				
REVENUE COLLECTIONS									
Retail Sales Tax − State	6,752,457	6,704,286	6,571,826	6,823,109	7,881,890	6,800,751	3.6	−13.7	−2.3

Economic Indicators: LOUISIANA METROPOLITAN AREAS

LAFAYETTE AREA

							Per Cent Change		
							Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
	Apr 83	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Same Month Prior Year	Prior Month	
GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY									
Airline Cargo (Tons)	29	27	32	27	23	23	−8.0	0.0	−21.6
Airline Passenger Boardings (000)	8.8	10.2	10.0	9.0	9.0	8.0	−14.9	−11.1	−11.3
Highway Construction Contracts ($ Million)	0.00	0.00	0.00	13.74	13.22	13.80	0.0	4.4	0.0
Telephones In Service	140,382	139,536	138,764	137,567	136,113	135,022	−6.2	−0.8	−1.3
Total Mortgage Loans Closed ($ Million)	14.1	7.0	7.0	6.7	4.6				
CONSTRUCTION									
Number Of Construction Contracts	229	150	336	579	296	191	19.4	−35.5	25.3
Value of Construction Contracts ($ Million)									
Residential	12	7	15	20	14	10	−65.6	−32.6	4.2
Nonresidential	3	10	3	9	1	2	−77.5	77.8	−68.6
EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS									
Total Civilian Labor Force (000)	100.4	100.3	102.2	102.2	101.8	101.3	0.4	−0.5	3.8
Total Employed (000)	92.9	92.0	93.2	93.3	93.0	92.8	−2.2	−0.2	0.6
Total Unemployed (000)	7.5	8.3	9.0	8.9	8.8	8.5	41.7	−3.4	68.3
Unemployment Rate	7.5	8.3	8.8	8.7	8.7	8.4	42.4	−3.4	62.8
NEW CAR SALES									
Buick	43	42	55	34	50				
Cadillac	24	26	28	33	29				
Chevrolet	58	79	74	56	92				
Chrysler	25	16	31	26	19				
Datsun	68	53	59	49	77				
Dodge	13	14	11	15	23				
Ford	60	108	75	76	72				
Honda	17	9	18	23	20				
Lincoln	20	10	10	15	20				
Mazda	24	14	36	22	35				
Mercury	30	31	31	29	22				
Oldsmobile	50	59	67	37	66				
Plymouth	5	8	6	5	8				
Pontiac	37	37	35	47	35				
Toyota	22	27	29	28	25				
Volkswagen	14	8	14	10	10				
Volvo	9	13	14	15	15				
Others	45	37	45	46	41				
Total									
NEW TRUCK SALES									
Chevrolet	80	105	91	86	91				
Datsun	18	17	23	23	23				
Dodge	26	33	37	18	24				
Ford	57	83	78	52	76				
GMC									
Mazda	6	8	18	12	17				
Toyota	13	9	13	9	8				
Others	17	3	10	3	6				
Total									
REVENUE COLLECTIONS									
Retail Sales Tax – State	3,357,423	2,798,632	2,992,100	3,607,072	2,798,825	3,076,374	−10.7	9.9	−23.4

Economic Indicators: LOUISIANA METROPOLITAN AREAS

LAKE CHARLES AREA

							Per Cent Change		
							Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
	Apr 83	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Same Month Prior Year	Prior Month	
GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY									
Airline Cargo (Tons)	5.0	5.3	7.0	8.0	6.4	7.3	4.3	14.1	−13.3
Airline Passenger Boardings (000)	3.0	3.1	3.2	3.1	3.3	3.2	0.0	−3.0	−16.0
Highway Construction Contracts ($ Million)	0.00	0.00	0.00	9.26	9.45	15.44	0.0	63.4	0.0
Newspaper Advertising Lineage	2,193,103	2,335,403	2,185,589	2,153,231	2,175,194				
Ocean Shipments (000 (Tons))	1262.3	1164.7	1359.0	1451.0	1169.0	1419.0	−4.4	21.4	6.9
Telephones In Service	116,467	115,744	115,018	114,018	113,347	111,509	−6.3	−1.6	−3.1
Total Mortgage Loans Closed ($ Million)	4.1	14.9	6.9	9.3	16.7				
CONSTRUCTION									
Number Of Construction Contracts	104	150	72	71	125	49	−33.8	−60.8	−4.1
Value of Construction Contracts ($ Million)									
Residential	4	4	3	6	4	3	−9.7	−24.3	−6.2
Nonresidential	3	1	4	1	4	1	−99.7	−70.7	−91.9
EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS									
Total Civilian Labor Force (000)	73.9	74.0	74.9	75.9	76.7	77.2	0.9	0.7	−4.7
Total Employed (000)	63.9	62.9	63.3	64.3	64.9	65.2	−0.2	0.5	−7.4
Total Unemployed (000)	10.0	11.1	11.6	11.6	11.8	12.0	7.1	1.7	13.9
Unemployment Rate	13.6	15.0	15.5	15.3	15.3	15.5	5.4	1.3	18.9
NEW CAR SALES									
Buick	43	48	49	42	41				
Cadillac	19	14	17	11	9				
Chevrolet	75	94	95	70	75				
Chrysler									
Datsun	48	50	58	46	58				
Dodge									
Ford	47	61	66	61	54				
Honda	11	10	11	13	18				
Lincoln	11	10	1	12	11				
Mazda	6	8	6	4	9				
Mercury	21	22	26	28	13				
Oldsmobile	65	75	84	71	72				
Plymouth									
Pontiac	44	52	50	82	61				
Renault	5	4	4	2	2				
Toyota	12	23	23	19	31				
Volkswagen									
Volvo									
Others	19	16	7	11	8				
Total									
NEW TRUCK SALES									
Chevrolet	76	81	89	82	95				
Datsun	12	10	24	27	23				
Dodge									
Ford	81	80	85	81	91				
GMC	39	67	55	66	61				
Mazda	4	3	4	2	6				
Toyota	3	10	11	10	14				
Others	15	10	9	12	11				
Total									
REVENUE COLLECTIONS									
Retail Sales Tax − State	2,052,036	1,785,692	1,854,491	2,246,583	1,865,135	1,950,891	6.1	4.6	−4.0

Economic Indicators: LOUISIANA METROPOLITAN AREAS

ALEXANDRIA AREA

							Per Cent Change		
							Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
	Mar 83	Apr 83	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Same Month Prior Year	Prior Month	
GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY									
Airline Cargo (Tons)	39	36	36	36	43	30	−38.8	−30.2	−10.3
Airline Passenger Boardings (000)	4.7	5.2	5.5	4.1	2.5	4.4	15.8	76.0	−9.3
Highway Construction Contracts ($ Million)	0.00	0.00	0.00	61.60	59.80	60.48	0.0	1.1	0.0
Newspaper Advertising Lineage	1,885,352	2,057,202	1,860,516	1,803,270	2,035,068	1,813,266	1.7	−10.9	5.1
AD LINEAGE, THE ALEXANDRIA DAILYTOWN TALK		1,885,352	2,057,202	1,860,516	1,803,270	2,035,0681,813,266	1.7	−10.9	
5.1									
Telephones In Service	81,375	81,162	80,532	80,224	79,798	79,142	−3.7	−0.8	−1.5
Total Mortgage Loans Closed ($ Million)	0.9	0.4	1.7	0.8	1.0				
CONSTRUCTION									
Number Of Construction Contracts	83	82	179	119	81	66	6.5	−18.5	38.7
Value of Construction Contracts ($ Million)									
Residential	5	5	12	7	5	4	19.4	−14.0	49.0
Nonresidential	4	3	5	0	2	2	−21.7	20.0	51.0
EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS									
Total Civilian Labor Force (000)	74.2	74.5	75.6	75.8	76.6	78.1	3.2	2.0	2.4
Total Employed (000)	65.2	65.3	65.9	66.6	67.7	69.7	4.5	3.0	1.3
Total Unemployed (000)	9.0	9.2	9.7	9.2	8.9	8.4	−6.7	−5.6	11.0
Unemployment Rate	12.2	12.3	12.8	12.2	11.7	10.8	−9.2	−7.7	8.5
NEW CAR SALES									
Buick	35	33	40	22	43				
Cadillac	21	11	16	13	10				
Chevrolet	36	54	71	38	41				
Chrysler	6	7	4	12	10				
Datsun	29	36	26	17	26				
Dodge	7	8	9	7	7				
Ford	50	48	70	41	56				
Honda	7	13	14	12	23				
Lincoln	2	14	12	8	10				
Mazda	20	24	16	15	12				
Mercury	9	6	11	3	7				
Oldsmobile	75	72	92	96	129				
Plymouth	4	2	1	2	14				
Pontiac	17	43	44	30	35				
Renault	1	0	2	2	5				
Toyota	15	24	22	15	26				
Volkswagen	3	2							
Volvo									
Others	18	33	31	12	27				
Total									
NEW TRUCK SALES									
Chevrolet	56	57	65	57	47				
Datsun	14	6	7	13	11				
Dodge	20	15	18	18	27				
Ford	81	90	95	59	82				
GMC	12	13	13	14	15				
Mazda	12	6	7	8	20				
Toyota	9	17	16	10	14				
Others	18	15	21	9	13				
Total									
REVENUE COLLECTIONS									
Retail Sales Tax − State	1,163,879	1,076,449	1,141,617	1,318,777	1,238,876	1,199,224	14.7	−3.2	10.4

Economic Indicators: LOUISIANA METROPOLITAN AREA

SHREVEPORT AREA

							Per Cent Change		
							Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
	Apr 83	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Same Month Prior Year	Prior Month	
GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY									
Airline Cargo (Tons)	654	683	658	688	1,076	933	11.6	−13.3	9.5
Airline Passenger Boardings (000)	35.2	36.9	36.0	34.0	32.0				
Average Weekly Manufacturing Earnings	368.68	369.57	372.53	389.42	371.94	365.96	3.5	−1.6	9.6
Average Weekly Manufacturing Hours	39.7	39.4	39.8	39.9	39.4	38.2	−4.3	−3.0	−0.4
Highway Construction Contracts ($ Million)	0.00	0.00	0.00	78.15	100.73	100.73	0.0	0.0	0.0
Newspaper Advertising Linage	5,556,498	4,683,015	4,266,682	5,243,025	4,588,473	4,485,273	−29.6	−2.2	−6.1
Telephones In Service	253,115	251,390	241,832	239,876	245,252	243,354	−6.5	−0.8	−3.5
Total Mortgage Loans Closed ($ Million)	20.6	12.7	10.7	6.3	5.4				
CONSTRUCTION									
Number Of Construction Contracts	247	193	279	723	238	190	53.2	−20.2	53.2
Value of Construction Contracts ($ Million)									
Residential	12	9	13	23	15	10	32.4	−33.8	78.4
Nonresidential	17	17	10	6	8	3	−74.4	−58.2	29.6
EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS									
Total Civilian Labor Force (000)	160.3	161.6	167.4	166.1	167.4	169.8	1.8	1.4	0.3
Total Employed (000)	141.1	141.7	144.6	146.1	148.1	151.0	1.0	2.0	−3.6
Total Unemployed (000)	19.2	19.9	20.9	20.0	19.3	18.8	8.7	−2.6	35.3
Unemployment Rate	12.0	12.3	12.5	12.1	11.5	11.0	5.8	−4.3	34.9
NEW CAR SALES									
Buick	74	79	91	93	119				
Cadillac	63	40	65	50	39				
Chevrolet	152	174	165	125	177				
Chrysler	39	53	45	40	54				
Datsun	54	38	51	41	56				
Dodge	38	46	36	32	28				
Ford	167	124	122	101	147				
Honda	28	28	30	16	41				
Lincoln	30	35	33	34	47				
Mazda	16	31	29	28	27				
Mercury	62	67	63	59	73				
Oldsmobile	172	171	201	137	193				
Plymouth	20	18	15	18	16				
Pontiac	82	67	104	85	93				
Renault	9	5	10	15	23				
Toyota	46	62	62	72	64				
Volkswagen	8	6	7	6	12				
Volvo	6	10	6	12	12				
Others	60	69	58	64	61				
Total									
NEW TRUCK SALES									
Chevrolet	154	140	244	148	170				
Datsun	13	13	12	6	17				
Dodge	52	47	54	44	52				
Ford	184	145	160	152	145				
GMC	24	18	28	24	24				
Mazda	16	16	15	19	13				
Toyota	10	25	10	15	17				
Others	53	26	40	41	48				
Total									
REVENUE COLLECTIONS									
Retail Sales Tax – State	4,607,113	4,102,686	4,374,886	4,676,096	4,335,013	4,620,488	−1.0	6.6	−4.6

Economic Indicators: LOUISIANA METROPOLITAN AREAS

MONROE AREA

GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY									
Airline Cargo (Tons)	14	23	18	17	20	19	26.7	−5.0	−29.2
Airline Passenger Boardings (000)	7.0	8.0	9.0	9.0	8.0	7.0	14.8	−12.5	−0.9
Highway Construction Contracts ($ Million)	0.00	0.00	0.00	13.46	13.04	13.30	0.0	2.0	0.0
Newspaper Advertising Linage									
Telephones In Service	116,204	115,756	115,430	114,776	114,023	112,989	−3.9	−0.9	−2.2
Total Mortgage Loans Closed ($ Million)	7.9	9.7	12.1	10.9	16.1				
CONSTRUCTION									
Number Of Construction Contracts	59	72	93	42	100	75	50.0	−25.0	22.4
Value of Construction Contracts ($ Million)									
Residential	3	4	5	3	7	3	37.5	−53.5	−43.7
Nonresidential	1	0	4	32	2	3	52.4	77.8	−2.7
EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS									
Total Civilian Labor Force (000)	57.6	57.7	57.9	58.5	58.4	58.4	−0.3	0.0	1.2
Total Employed (000)	51.0	51.1	51.0	51.7	51.8	51.9	0.4	0.2	0.6
Total Unemployed (000)	6.6	6.6	6.9	6.8	6.6	6.5	−5.8	−1.5	6.6
Unemployment Rate	11.4	11.5	12.0	11.6	11.3	11.1	−5.1	−1.8	5.8
NEW CAR SALES									
Buick	62	66	76	60	79				
Cadillac	20	25	21	21	20				
Chevrolet	64	48	70	58	60				
Chrysler	12	12	14	8	12				
Datsun	32	16	54	26	30				
Dodge	6	3	7	8	3				
Ford	46	30	55	37	40				
Honda	30	21	26	17	19				
Lincoln	6	13	13	16	19				
Mazda	15	18	30	17	27				
Mercury	26	20	31	26	34				
Oldsmobile	87	73	105	62	78				
Plymouth	2	2	4	2	2				
Pontiac	27	22	15	18	20				
Renault	3	4	11	8	5				
Toyota	27	18	24	23	25				
Volkswagen	5	0	3	1	4				
Volvo	4	10	4	7	8				
Others	5	9	17	9	9				
Total									
NEW TRUCK SALES									
Chevrolet	82	66	75	72	71				
Datsun	7	8	11	10	17				
Dodge	11	9	8	7	6				
Ford	70	63	83	38	49				
GMC	40	30	33	46	34				
Mazda	31	16	22	11	31				
Toyota	7	10	14	11	14				
Others	24	12	35	15	29				
Total									
REVENUE COLLECTIONS									
Retail Sales Tax – State	2,098,393	1,902,212	1,884,673	2,133,021	2,040,891	2,255,276	25.8	10.5	4.8

HOUMA/THIBODAUX AREA

	Mar 83	Apr 83	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Per Cent Change		
							Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
							Same Month Prior Year	Prior Month	
GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY									
Highway Construction Contracts ($ Million)				12.73	15.69	15.69			
Newspaper Advertising Linage									
Telephones In Service	79,838	79,221	78,707	78,079	77,259	76,719			
NEW CAR SALES									
Buick	65	68	56	52	53				
Cadillac	13	11	19	13	7				
Chevrolet	54	72	70	58	58				
Chrysler	13	11	19	16	10				
Datsun	44	27	36	36	30				
Dodge	21	53	33	80	13				
Ford	37	55	59	42	31				
Honda	13	15	19	17	10				
Lincoln	6	11	11	8	11				
Mazda	7	4	3	6	7				
Mercury	21	19	30	24	18				
Oldsmobile	65	54	79	44	86				
Plymouth	10	11	10	7	12				
Pontiac	26	34	60	25	29				
Renault	2	0	1	1					
Toyota	16	18	26	22	26				
Volkswagen									
Volvo									
Others	1	1	1						
Total									
NEW TRUCK SALES									
Chevrolet	64	54	44	76	60				
Datsun	11	16	17	18	16				
Dodge	46	72	58	43	46				
Ford	74	82	71	59	57				
GMC	34	32	35	34	27				
Mazda	1	1	3	2	2				
Toyota	5	5	6	5	9				
Others	1	1	8	10	9				
Total									
REVENUE COLLECTIONS									
Retail Sales Tax – State	2,166,238	1,316,135	1,345,279	1,428,035	1,326,253	1,407,548	7.6	6.1	−11.8

Louisiana Local Sales Tax Collections

(Collections For Indicated Month Based On Sales For Preceding Month

PARISH SCHOOL BOARDS

							Per Cent Change		
							Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
	Apr 83	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Same Month Prior Year	Prior Month	
Acadia Parish School Board	265,784	240,745	291,097	254,638	204,942	309,343	20.4	50.9	−14.3
Allen Parish School Board	81,864	72,491	75,055	78,494	66,410	89,781	25.3	35.2	1.3
Ascension Parish School Board	768,277	632,446	664,913	778,069	734,813	799,926	25.8	8.9	−14.7
Assumption Parish School Board	207,568	195,525	196,704	237,737	195,515	247,290	23.6	26.5	30.8
Avoyelles Parish School Board	210,353	194,583	200,837	198,565	171,019	221,522	19.2	29.5	−1.6
Beauregard Parish School Board	145,115	140,018	156,305	178,177	160,663	172,055	37.0	7.1	3.1
Bienville Parish School Board	61,410	69,274	81,390	54,706	286,742	na	344.1	424.2	9.6
Bossier Parish School Board	681,082	624,651	666,875	774,230	563,024	861,021	33.3	52.9	3.6
Caddo Parish School Board	1,701,789	1,597,371	1,656,244	1,759,587	1,461,574	2,049,943	20.4	40.3	−2.4
Calcasieu Parish School Board	1,340,235	1,159,450	1,591,505	1,337,280	1,319,102	1,280,037	7.4	−3.0	−7.2
Caldwell Parish School Board	38,297	37,043	38,283	45,655	29,523	52,744	117.8	78.7	17.5
Catahoula Parish School Board	43,888	39,277	na	na	na	na	−27.1	−10.5	−33.1
Claiborne Parish School Board	76,096	56,078	91,980	73,371	91,355	89,032	26.3	−2.5	−12.1
Concordia Parish School Board	108,060	99,853	101,671	119,980	105,623	117,723	15.1	11.5	6.5
Desoto Parish School Board	150,970	221,932	186,428	215,976	156,819	226,043	80.7	44.1	−18.2
East Baton Rouge Parish School Board	2,594,719	2,763,347	2,869,397	2,812,077	2,978,455	2,806,706	5.4	−5.8	3.6
East Carroll Parish School Board	33,099	35,411	36,912	39,200	38,698	42,840	16.8	10.7	−5.7
East Feliciana Parish School Board	164,840	120,574	123,097	169,509	81,078	172,454	24.3	112.7	3.8
Evangeline Parish School Board	143,409	105,490	121,065	133,770	87,674	137,091	26.2	56.4	−2.0
Franklin Parish School Board	124,963	115,254	115,262	130,315	95,100	118,928	−2.4	25.1	−3.5
Grant Parish School Board	43,448	30,391	34,298	41,461	34,973	37,895	12.2	8.4	1.7
Iberia Parish School Board	470,415	489,000	541,841	506,134	469,753	522,297	−3.7	11.2	−22.1
Iberville Parish School Board	302,076	272,525	297,788	324,605	300,349	305,099	−15.1	1.6	−9.9
Jackson Parish School Board	242,371	115,926	139,240	152,595	103,529	246,153	74.4	137.8	58.7
Jefferson−Davis Parish School Board	171,446	248,264	na	na	na	na	−6.0	44.8	−25.4
Lafayette Parish School Board	1,513,879	1,365,230	1,426,843	1,446,427	1,336,186	1,436,786	−7.4	7.5	−18.8
Lafourche Parish School Board	475,406	484,174	459,701	490,135	459,784	557,657	25.7	21.3	−6.0
Lasalle Parish School Board	60,971	69,685	86,287	86,287	58,658	99,869	0.2	70.3	−13.7
Lincoln Parish School Board	178,044	157,706	188,637	184,882	147,961	222,620	25.3	50.5	2.8
Livingston Parish School Board	466,932	450,218	520,642	585,612	402,584	496,616	16.0	23.4	4.4
Madison Parish School Board	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Morehouse Parish School Board	127,199	112,273	123,552	131,167	126,106	144,342	15.4	14.5	−0.0
Natchitoches Parish School Board	177,619	165,993	182,522	215,922	137,423	223,696	43.2	62.8	5.5
Orleans Parish School Board	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Ouachita Parish School Board	248,237	235,654	261,820	264,244	275,112	288,451	23.1	4.8	10.1
Plaquemine Parish School Board	349,667	361,728	265,610	334,742	262,180	308,040	−13.0	17.5	−1.4
Pointe Coupee Parish School Board	162,517	89,182	188,946	121,718	86,845	236,811	59.1	172.7	−35.7
Red River Parish School Board	39,319	27,975	25,904	43,621	24,767	33,959	10.0	37.1	−15.4
Richland Parish School Board	134,671	113,464	121,992	128,748	99,186	147,928	70.8	49.1	12.5
Sabine Parish School Board	104,872	96,308	101,191	123,265	79,521	130,622	43.8	64.3	11.9
St. Bernard Parish School Board	467,728	501,029	804,993	560,062	676,604	na	25.3	20.8	6.8
St. Charles Parish School Board	753,179	824,533	718,667	869,492	515,887	761,009	−16.7	47.5	−25.4
St. Helena Parish School Board	28,173	27,886	23,774	39,507	16,156	na	−41.0	−59.1	−3.5
St. James Parish School Board	502,509	504,909	327,525	1,872,149	423,172	618,610	131.0	46.2	77.7
St. John Parish School Board	808,003	422,504	397,384	452,985	299,664	565,827	24.3	88.8	3.2
St. Landry Parish School Board	391,742	355,875	351,666	413,590	302,669	388,480	−10.1	28.4	−13.3
St. Martin Parish School Board	181,033	169,265	200,205	190,765	183,138	192,557	6.2	5.1	−14.5
St. Mary Parish School Board	476,984	384,204	405,454	467,904	345,594	493,044	1.8	42.7	−30.2
St. Tammany Parish School Board	1,084,329	1,451,174	1,301,052	1,429,302	1,037,815	1,320,159	31.0	27.2	14.8
Tangipahoa Parish School Board	323,531	329,117	402,712	460,034	330,601	489,246	39.9	48.0	6.8
Tensas Parish School Board	25,708	25,269	31,444	26,145	22,638	32,804	41.2	44.9	−6.7
Terrebonne Parish School Board	571,335	556,381	581,664	552,121	475,276	604,028	−3.2	27.1	−23.2
Union Parish School Board	68,299	63,532	68,495	74,882	49,975	78,746	18.0	57.6	−0.2
Vermillion Parish School Board	300,241	392,796	392,087	301,590	385,316	500,880	16.9	30.0	−11.2
Vernon Parish School Board	154,129	158,344	148,305	165,084	na	na	−3.2	11.3	11.9
Washington Parish School Board	109,946	118,378	141,225	120,118	na	na	−2.0	−14.9	4.7
Webster Parish School Board	201,479	186,142	150,000	257,967	193,963	204,706	10.6	5.5	−2.8
West Baton Rouge Parish School Board	165,777	116,251	119,097	113,963	109,785	110,876	−2.5	1.0	−13.6
West Carroll Parish School Board	42,509	43,350	46,886	45,236	37,739	50,996	16.8	35.1	−5.9
West Feliciana Parish School Board	515,883	359,201	214,852	358,104	222,382	192,033	10.8	−13.6	79.0
Winn Parish School Board	77,943	67,793	73,521	81,447	62,342	104,661	52.1	67.9	10.1

Louisiana Local Sales Tax Collections

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CITIES & TOWNS

							Per Cent Change		
							Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
	Apr 83	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Same Month Prior Year	Prior Month	
Abbeville	87,197	80,516	80,518	87,795	81,274	87,151	-4.9	7.2	-2.3
Abita Springs	2,085	2,830	2,040	4,033	2,533	3,400	75.9	34.2	29.8
Acadia Parish Police Jury	242,211	219,765	227,955	246,071	202,290	287,410	na	42.1	na
Albany	2,689	2,727	2,663	3,008	2,686	2,833	3.4	5.5	3.0
Alexandria	403,530	397,094	405,500	444,082	392,264	490,334	29.1	25.0	10.6
Amite City	79,426	66,608	63,563	75,091	57,637	74,878	28.5	29.9	23.4
Angie	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Arcadia	24,880	16,796	18,475	18,950	16,143	21,987	54.5	36.2	6.8
Arnaudville	15,596	14,427	14,178	16,199	12,332	15,006	-4.4	21.7	46.5
Ascension Parish Police Jury	175,556	199,269	241,039	170,314	276,892	298,102	21.9	7.7	-22.4
Assumption Parish Police Jury	103,065	102,837	99,018	156,429	104,720	134,061	31.4	28.0	8.6
Baker	113,483	111,660	128,420	114,799	137,936	140,217	23.6	1.7	24.5
Basile	9,192	8,333	7,416	9,472	7,017	8,730	-13.7	24.4	-4.8
Bastrop	102,926	104,062	107,118	111,924	97,811	130,508	21.6	33.4	8.8
Benton	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Bernice	8,563	6,637	6,073	7,536	8,328	6,386	10.7	-23.3	21.3
Bogalusa	235,360	226,384	245,014	229,670	216,139	277,845	9.7	28.5	27.7
Bogalusa School System	88,248	79,173	90,659	93,891	na	na	-3.2	3.6	-7.0
Bonita	1,324	1,270	1,461	1,012	1,022	997	-34.4	-2.4	na
Bossier City	496,706	505,270	524,650	562,708	563,757	563,395	20.5	-0.1	55.8
Breaux Bridge	44,020	38,847	40,258	39,828	36,471	40,130	17.4	10.0	6.8
Broussard	22,212	21,515	41,083	22,856	17,294	43,094	31.0	149.2	-29.8
Bunkie	47,887	44,623	43,085	49,032	42,870	47,464	10.3	10.7	5.8
Caldwell Parish Police Jury	39,297	37,043	38,283	45,655	29,523	52,744	117.8	78.7	17.8
Campti	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Cankton	635	1,071	677	619	648	804	25.6	24.1	-20.1
Carencro	38,737	34,605	32,590	33,908	33,422	30,486	-7.1	-8.8	-4.3
Catahoula Parish Police Jury	61,076	67,085	68,294	70,337	71,149	67,655	-4.5	-4.9	-9.0
Church Point	19,586	17,428	19,084	18,251	14,344	19,060	3.4	32.9	-9.0
Colfax	16,112	13,157	12,661	13,767	14,184	12,391	114.3	-12.6	79.8
Columbia	7,373	9,024	7,808	8,541	7,244	9,170	45.1	26.6	na
Concordia Parish Police Jury	45,044	36,542	46,781	50,489	38,762	55,369	51.8	42.8	0.6
Cottonport	6,560	7,398	6,371	7,207	6,526	7,318	9.6	12.1	-0.5
Cotton Valley	2,080	5,232	2,185	2,583	2,359	2,324	95.6	-1.5	19.6
Coushatta	17,575	14,683	16,637	24,200	16,403	19,638	2.3	19.7	-10.1
Covington	119,976	138,421	133,923	147,115	130,407	151,890	100.3	16.5	87.0
Crowley	185,824	167,048	162,214	172,642	150,279	187,536	3.5	24.8	11.8
Cullen	3,323	3,439	2,810	3,635	2,725	4,753	54.3	74.4	4.8
Delcambre	7,752	6,445	7,837	7,995	7,130	8,670	-2.8	21.6	-17.6
Delhi	8,480	9,349	8,742	9,193	9,616	8,621	-15.0	-10.3	16.7
Denham Springs	95,626	91,216	93,726	101,077	na	na	14.3	7.8	8.8
Dequincy	20,815	20,522	18,807	22,223	19,447	22,270	40.8	14.5	-4.4
DeRidder	76,425	69,822	72,364	79,028	69,198	77,791	20.7	12.4	-0.7
Dixie Inn	4,735	5,083	5,820	4,803	5,302	5,529	20.9	4.3	3.0
Donaldsonville	56,018	54,459	55,257	68,119	57,962	69,124	70.1	19.3	11.7
Dubach	1,365	2,501	1,884	1,557	1,557	2,211	42.9	42.0	na
Duson	15,063	13,243	25,396	19,546	14,311	15,317	69.1	7.0	38.1
East Baton Rouge City/Parish	5,211,173	4,936,141	5,573,226	5,476,354	5,365,017	5,684,265	15.4	6.0	2.7
Elizabeth	885	1,044	1,230	1,030	1,059	2,216	91.0	109.3	na
Elton	3,381	3,435	3,391	3,613	2,924	3,547	-6.0	21.3	-18.2
Erath	11,359	9,162	11,165	10,828	8,524	15,379	65.5	80.4	-11.5
Estherwood	989	1,005	998	999	804	1,484	1.6	84.6	12.9
Eunice	152,909	151,215	147,489	175,516	151,628	160,927	4.8	6.1	-7.2
Farmerville	21,676	24,627	25,938	22,166	25,946	29,096	30.8	12.1	9.9
Ferriday	29,827	28,671	28,937	34,794	31,714	30,212	9.3	-4.7	-1.5
Folsom	3,441	3,740	4,771	2,233	2,958	1,621	-39.1	-45.2	2.8
Franklinton	30,201	41,556	37,034	36,205	31,726	42,924	34.4	35.3	11.7
Gilbert	1,467	1,590	1,153	1,599	1,781	1,642	19.1	-7.8	30.2
Glenmora	3,829	3,962	3,753	3,243	3,903	5,226	53.8	33.9	1.3
Golden Meadow	8,464	11,969	9,745	13,680	8,055	12,195	-16.5	51.4	-1.8
Gonzales	96,374	97,167	97,255	103,848	na	na	1.8	6.8	6.1
Grambling	3,317	4,800	4,320	5,446	2,949	6,819	na	131.2	na
Gramercy	15,383	14,661	15,609	14,668	14,532	13,917	-2.7	-4.2	na
Grand Coteau	3,246	2,097	1,999	3,825	2,322	3,572	30.3	53.8	6.9
Greensburg	2,626	3,277	2,630	6,158	na	na	18.7	134.1	-13.8
Gueydan	7,264	10,059	7,710	7,479	7,013	8,718	na	24.3	na
Hall Summit	808	193	671	409	485	757	22.5	56.1	37.1
Hammond	317,306	397,698	423,451	312,282	350,373	384,874	129.2	9.8	113.9

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Haughton	2,481	2,380	na	na	na	na	2.6	-4.1	-5.4
Haynesville	12,572	12,572	14,901	14,537	9,864	16,332	7.3	65.6	-17.6
Hendersoe	4,142	4,544	4,686	4,421	5,541	7,876	-49.6	42.1	-4.6
Homer	22,257	21,581	26,690	23,936	21,088	27,365	25.7	29.8	na
Iberia Parish Police Jury	470,415	489,000	541,841	506,135	467,750	na	-13.8	-7.6	-24.3
Independence	10,712	10,092	12,673	10,979	10,595	11,718	9.9	10.6	32.8
Iota	4,459	3,787	4,240	4,393	3,491	4,191	-19.4	20.1	-11.2
Iowa	14,483	8,102	8,815	9,966	8,463	9,879	11.0	16.7	7.1
Jeanerette	30,486	28,671	27,429	30,585	24,120	33,983	14.4	40.9	-4.6
Jennings	82,113	103,663	na	na	na	na	-14.3	26.2	-14.7
Jonesboro	57,480	54,968	59,516	57,927	54,662	61,439	14.9	12.4	7.5
Jonesville	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Kaplan	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Kentwood	15,600	17,855	14,737	18,706	15,899	16,523	28.2	3.9	3.7
Kinder	16,118	15,150	16,911	14,969	na	na	na	-11.5	na
Krotz Springs	4,890	3,807	3,773	3,617	3,479	5,226	14.3	50.2	-3.6
Lafayette	1,107,461	1,023,590	1,065,440	1,092,126	1,019,159	1,061,324	-4.9	4.1	-10.7
Lafayette Parish Police Jury	306,219	247,840	244,721	255,631	225,901	261,569	-21.6	15.8	-41.8
Lake Arthur	21,863	32,921	na	na	na	na	182.9	50.6	46.6
Lake Charles	650,253	571,685	616,315	622,107	560,040	659,580	15.3	17.8	-0.8
Lake Providence	20,286	17,906	16,800	21,674	na	na	-11.6	29.0	na
Leesville	77,935	63,383	79,021	141,585	146,791	83,072	28.9	-43.4	na
Lincoln Parish Police Jury	133,548	118,279	141,462	138,662	110,971	166,965	88.0	50.5	35.9
Livingston	6,322	5,105	5,319	6,175	4,670	7,373	7.4	57.9	12.6
Lockport	12,143	10,145	11,307	13,614	11,136	12,358	-15.3	11.0	-4.8
Logansport	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Loreauville	3,577	3,752	3,225	3,475	3,054	3,275	-16.6	7.2	-12.1
Lutcher	8,132	10,461	9,097	11,397	9,093	10,136	-6.0	11.5	-6.7
Madison Parish Police Jury	22,115	20,285	20,168	21,494	18,491	na	-24.8	-14.0	-3.1
Madisonville	3,361	3,393	3,732	3,093	3,840	na	na	24.2	na
Mamou	12,700	10,479	13,742	11,846	7,713	12,574fr 31.3	63.0	3.0	
Mandeville	50,765	63,260	67,758	63,743	71,494	68,060	75.1	-4.8	36.1
Mangham	2,118	3,190	2,617	2,412	2,339	2,458	-2.5	5.1	-5.1
Mansfield	49,837	41,963	43,056	49,051	37,771	43,844	6.4	16.1	-3.0
Marksville	49,453	46,520	46,377	46,331	45,500	45,306	8.7	-0.4	0.6
Maurice	2,590	3,863	2,618	4,173	1,994	3,165	-10.8	58.7	4.2
Many	36,973	36,463	36,059	39,030	34,059	38,937	26.2	14.3	7.7
Melville	4,693	5,104	4,114	4,194	3,735	4,724	591.7	26.5	-0.3
Mermentau	1,178	640	734	1,471	1,203	12,963			
Mer Rouge	3,724	4,510	5,283	5,027	4,351	7,315	30.9	68.1	-5.5
Merryville	3,266	3,014	2,820	na	na	na	na	-6.4	na
Minden	83,669	86,289	90,499	97,647	74,464	111,458	25.5	49.7	2.0
Monroe	1,012,965	975,409	1,091,136	1,091,209	1,173,869	1,167,843	102.1	-0.5	60.1
Monroe School Board	152,145	144,433	160,470	161,956	168,617	176,793	23.1	4.8	10.1
Moreauville	2,972	2,855	3,171	2,315	2,697	2,700	10.5	0.1	-3.2
Morse	1,572	1,594	1,595	1,624	1,572	1,929	55.2	22.7	-14.2
Napoleonville	6,273	4,530	4,876	8,464	4,208	na	-16.6	-50.3	6.4
Natchitoches	209,373	207,503	214,066	239,478	230,575	214,875	13.0	-6.8	2.9
New Iberia	363,614	324,267	349,301	348,038	306,121	372,165	5.1	21.6	-10.0
New Llano	4,943	3,710	5,359	4,075	6,486	5,402	114.1	-16.7	21.8
New Orleans	8,351,573	10,334,138	8,013,162	8,208,296	9,700,650	12,011,844	23.7	23.8	22.4
New Roads	20,668	19,082	37,639	36,491	36,824	38,688	55.8	5.1	8.4
Oakdale	29,761	27,327	28,388	29,408	25,778	29,710	11.0	15.3	-2.4
Oak Grove	18,431	20,613	21,807	22,886	19,612	22,750	7.6	16.0	3.6
Oberlin	7,692	5,235	5,876	4,897	7,298	5,504	32.9	-24.6	8.0
Oil City	7,139	6,546	7,942	8,806	6,807	12,283	17.6	80.4	-10.3
Opelousas	245,967	231,430	236,859	258,930	228,664	265,431	13.4	16.1	-1.2
Ouachita Parish Police Jury	208,895	200,899	227,179	232,363	227,008	275,323	37.4	21.3	6.4
Parks	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Pearl River	6,473	5,103	5,844	5,554	4,764	7,394	40.7	55.2	0.8
Pine Prairie	3,123	3,121	2,799	5,346	3,819	3,985	-2.9	4.3	8.8
Pineville	66,904	60,286	62,057	72,041	55,666	79,018	34.2	42.0	6.7
Plain Dealing	6,120	7,094	7,344	6,178	7,500	6,978	15.5	-7.0	19.5
Plaquemine Parish Commission Council	349,667	361,728	265,610	334,742	262,180	308,040	-13.0	17.5	-20.1
Plaucheville	1,069	840	798	866	826	810	-15.3	-1.9	-13.2
Pleasant Hill	1,045	685	1,358	709	709	2,674	121.9	277.2	na
Pollock	1,249	1,043	1,563	1,366	1,333	1,156	31.2	-13.3	34.8
Ponchatoula	62,416	60,819	69,010	67,259	58,792	65,042	15.9	10.6	79.0

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Port Allen	28,083	30,661	27,575	31,744	28,005	25,220	−17.8	−9.9	−0.2
Port Barre	7,344	8,720	6,992	8,618	6,265	9,648	55.9	54.0	−18.5
Rayne	71,936	61,131	64,275	73,036	56,967	68,670	2.5	20.5	−8.6
Rayville	39,281	42,168	39,468	44,509	37,699	40,650	3.7	7.8	1.5
Red River Parish Police Jury	41,366	26,333	24,537	47,010	29,680	38,093	30.8	28.3	−5.9
Ringold	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Roseland	4,847	4,911	5,109	5,325	4,382	5,831	29.0	33.1	66.9
Rosepine	2,076	1,752	1,458	1,693	1,201	1,699	28.4	41.5	22.7
Ruston	69,028	62,989	75,428	73,168	61,390	82,012	16.6	33.6	6.4
St. Bernard Parish Police Jury	467,728	501,029	804,993	560,062	676,604	na	25.3	20.8	7.4
St. Charles Parish Council	235,189	255,432	224,627	360,690	251,170	365,624	32.7	45.6	−12.9
St. Francisville	17,810	16,106	15,717	19,048	15,185	17,867	−0.4	17.7	14.7
St. James Parish Council	224,070	227,333	139,057	910,010	187,716	281,594	157.5	50.0	na
St. Martinville	34,818	30,613	31,189	33,133	30,841	28,796	−17.6	−6.6	−9.9
Rapides Parish	731,000	724,164	727,182	779,945	649,499	885,329	31.1	36.3	6.8
Sarepta	1,284	1,087	1,694	927	2,906	1,032	−37.1	−64.5	6.3
Scott	23,004	25,571	24,486	25,897	27,682	24,584	5.3	−11.2	−2.8
Shreveport	2,151,762	2,063,996	2,145,005	2,265,450	1,899,359	2,604,285	18.5	37.1	0.2
Sibley	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Simmesport	7,077	7,925	6,390	6,822	6,937	6,933		−0.1	na
Slidell	199,651	210,897	218,687	186,398	245,069	209,180	5.6	−14.6	6.8
Sorrento	2,135	2,747	2,544	2,609	2,415	2,297	26.8	−4.9	6.8
Springfield	1,975	2,381	2,001	1,925	2,132	2,843	29.2	33.3	22.9
Springhill	47,416	39,178	40,725	48,306	34,946	50,495	29.1	44.5	1.9
Sulphur	239,702	234,841	231,489	230,779	235,095	254,029	10.1	8.1	−1.2
Sun	539	1,637	446	632	362	531	35.8	46.7	111.6
Sunset	8,169	9,633	7,070	4,101	11,868	8,222	−12.2	−30.7	−4.1
Tallulah	27,021	23,674	24,944	26,972	25,267	24,434	8.8	−3.3	0.8
Tangipahoa	1,981	1,302	1,333	1,652	1,297	1,253	17.7	−3.4	5.2
Tensas Parish Police Jury	42,103	26,412	23,044	na	na	na	−19.0	−12.8	0.5
Thibodaux	246,584	210,297	216,865	234,389	189,696	230,073	12.2	21.3	−1.8
Tickfaw	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Vermillion Parish Police Jury	300,235	392,790	392,079	301,585	385,316	500,872	14.2	30.0	na
Vidalia	34,149	29,258	27,311	32,047	33,180	35,507	−7.1	7.0	14.3
Ville Platte	46,581	44,538	41,128	51,138	38,532	45,390	2.4	17.8	−1.0
Vinton	23,614	20,255	21,078	21,758	17,311	24,803	34.1	43.3	2.8
Vivian	25,993	25,767	27,954	30,691	23,587	29,752	20.8	26.1	3.9
Walker	27,622	8,233	10,202	na	na	na	59.6	23.9	49.8
Washington	3,818	5,148	3,550	3,491	3,863	4,149	28.3	7.4	3.3
Welsh	15,549	14,174	15,687	16,545	12,552	na	−37.0	−24.1	−18.7
West Ascension Parish Hospital Service District	28,827	22,103	25,264	31,205	28,452	32,589	9.9	14.5	−9.1
Westlake	61,142	50,017	48,301	56,558	45,722	53,634	18.6	17.3	0.4
West Monroe	247,656	224,416	243,344	238,948	250,715	252,834	21.5	0.8	18.6
Winnsboro	51,349	42,340	46,962	52,768	44,166	48,278	9.0	9.3	−0.3
Wisner	6,071	5,645	6,321	7,053	5,746	6,384	18.7	11.1	5.3
Youngsville	15,157	11,880	10,199	11,399	11,468	15,247	44.9	33.0	11.7
Zachary	86,144	99,690	94,461	89,981	80,308	96,115	12.7	19.7	13.2

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Acadia Parish	395,213	312,492	351,473	475,728	361,583	361,400	−78.6	−0.1	−31.6
Allen Parish	68,666	61,130	58,534	71,632	63,605	57,649	6.6	−9.4	−5.3
Ascension Parish	421,176	327,862	363,472	329,103	498,351	462,305	38.7	−7.2	−4.5
Assumption Parish	77,076	60,822	62,660	60,309	58,017	72,348	18.2	24.7	−13.7
Avoyelles Parish	130,140	112,402	125,369	141,263	111,949	115,558	2.5	3.2	−7.0
Beauregard Parish	204,724	191,423	203,897	158,308	162,689	157,990	−4.2	−2.9	−8.3
Bienville Parish	45,867	28,618	63,445	32,940	29,242	35,919	28.5	22.8	1.3
Bossier Parish	587,238	523,031	565,485	657,496	631,118	650,217	5.8	3.0	8.5
Caddo Parish	3,752,946	3,340,694	3,598,093	3,782,769	3,491,301	3,732,337	−3.1	6.9	−6.6
Calcasieu Parish	2,052,036	1,785,692	1,854,491	2,246,583	1,865,135	1,950,891	6.1	4.6	−4.0
Caldwell Parish	32,725	29,331	26,661	32,534	33,720	33,721	−0.4	0.0	−16.9
Cameron Parish	35,382	35,507	36,149	100,099	42,485	47,030	29.3	10.7	−59.1
Catahoula Parish	59,135	52,078	46,957	52,270	58,494	47,137	−3.5	−19.4	−8.0
Claiborne Parish	72,086	58,875	64,326	67,506	75,293	71,217	9.0	−5.4	−10.5
Concordia Parish	81,198	86,086	93,804	102,269	92,046	92,564	5.6	0.6	−3.4
Desoto Parish	134,854	113,434	115,393	95,724	107,958	119,317	25.8	10.5	−20.2
East Baton Rouge Parish	5,912,246	6,007,703	5,791,288	6,070,495	6,832,246	5,912,773	1.8	−13.5	−1.8
East Carroll Parish	40,024	42,554	33,888	42,947	46,985	41,688	−0.4	−11.3	−11.8
East Feliciana Parish	36,719	32,573	29,793	39,430	30,511	31,462	13.3	3.1	−12.6
Evangeline Parish	120,544	103,994	106,823	116,049	110,262	132,199	33.4	19.9	−0.1
Franklin Parish	85,117	75,361	83,717	90,747	79,394	82,149	6.4	3.5	1.4
Grant Parish	14,117	4,443	15,279	17,135	14,111	11,907	−5.2	−15.6	−13.0
Iberia Parish	559,740	564,579	587,202	670,099	568,702	600,344	−12.2	5.6	−27.4
Iberville Parish	149,587	157,252	178,585	250,913	284,410	124,396	−73.5	−56.3	−17.9
Jackson Parish	75,885	68,282	88,526	70,335	104,403	170,394	90.2	63.2	−15.9
Jefferson Parish	5,201,456	4,809,972	4,990,232	5,741,539	5,889,201	5,824,470	16.9	−1.1	−0.5
Jefferson−Davis Parish	154,042	146,440	143,582	162,579	169,602	182,412	14.6	7.6	−23.3
Lafayette Parish	3,357,423	2,798,632	2,992,100	3,607,072	2,798,825	3,076,374	−10.7	9.9	−23.4
Lafourche Parish	482,323	495,576	421,929	500,336	411,790	446,968	12.1	8.5	−5.1
Lasalle Parish	70,736	64,626	66,644	65,187	69,468	87,884	−34.7	26.5	−26.0
Lincoln Parish	322,767	242,151	266,227	291,174	334,330	275,789	−1.4	−17.5	−6.4
Livingston Parish	182,953	162,690	200,437	220,653	271,966	179,549	6.1	−34.0	13.6
Madison Parish	41,216	39,146	39,227	43,368	40,570	39,040	21.5	−3.8	−8.7
Morehouse Parish	147,022	130,231	113,143	188,679	159,351	203,247	50.7	27.5	−9.6
Natchitoches Parish	206,476	204,564	218,545	146,069	205,593	222,132	16.9	8.0	−3.6
Orleans Parish	10,281,360	8,934,594	10,942,028	9,616,798	10,295,014	9,017,935	−6.8	−12.4	−5.7
Ouachita Parish	1,951,371	1,771,981	1,771,530	1,944,342	1,881,540	2,052,029	23.8	9.1	6.2
Plaquemines Parish	395,202	277,298	413,261	318,029	253,890	431,849	59.5	70.1	−27.3
Pointe Coupe Parish	84,399	61,563	81,451	87,468	68,449	76,251	41.1	11.4	−11.3
Rapides Parish	1,149,762	1,072,006	1,126,338	1,301,642	1,224,765	1,187,317	15.0	−3.1	10.8
Red River Parish	33,014	29,671	28,085	33,281	30,483	34,050	35.6	11.7	−8.7
Richland Parish	82,148	70,337	80,207	90,548	133,101	90,951	6.6	−31.7	−2.4
Sabine Parish	109,260	57,808	4,844	110,499	94,702	100,430	11.5	6.0	−9.7
St. Bernard Parish	233,815	234,542	200,213	259,538	44,634	234,810	−46.2	426.1	−27.5
St. Charles Parish	202,640	208,199	307,564	279,936	153,205	238,565	−75.4	55.7	−17.8
St. Helena Parish	9,098	2,891	17,462	11,581	10,074	12,376	7.8	22.9	−13.9
St. James Parish	118,503	81,639	77,813	99,275	70,882	92,681	15.1	30.8	8.0
St. John Parish	197,135	169,558	257,225	209,290	214,156	264,262	75.6	23.4	−7.4
St. Landry Parish	486,831	427,438	122,452	515,228	424,377	461,680	−25.6	8.8	−20.7
St. Martin Parish	168,820	141,603	166,278	158,925	139,350	144,557	−7.5	3.7	−10.8
St. Mary Parish	588,976	593,598	616,397	587,690	578,802	558,238	−7.3	−3.6	−36.9
St. Tammany Parish	660,120	634,948	728,927	836,305	761,389	833,909	51.5	9.5	26.6
Tangipahoa Parish	500,956	433,434	500,430	571,691	449,936	501,408	12.8	11.4	7.3
Tensas Parish	23,006	14,674	18,776	20,171	16,844	15,405	−12.2	−8.5	−20.0
Terrebonne Parish	1,683,915	820,559	923,350	927,699	914,463	960,580	5.6	5.0	−14.2
Union Parish	55,876	75,395	50,234	70,067	57,827	54,995	−8.6	−4.9	12.7
Vermillion Parish	289,689	264,339	284,249	253,258	275,543	253,889	6.0	−7.9	−18.5
Vernon Parish	222,496	169,511	166,748	198,959	189,467	179,385	25.8	−5.3	34.5
Washington Parish	156,302	147,485	157,401	163,060	148,094	149,584	12.2	1.0	−16.3
Webster Parish	266,929	238,961	211,308	235,831	212,594	237,934	18.3	11.9	−0.5
West Baton Rouge Parish	236,082	206,031	216,629	202,858	279,327	246,124	−2.1	−11.9	−17.7
West Carroll Parish	42,731	46,757	40,498	43,814	43,433	43,744	−0.9	0.7	−9.9
West Feliciana Parish	176,030	776,051	165,423	133,569	238,074	125,033	−40.0	−47.5	32.7
Winn Parish	73,449	63,494	70,919	82,800	82,914	82,695	20.7	−0.3	10.6
Out Of State	17,453,644	20,458,696	16,523,332	18,956,838	15,755,455	16,271,728	−10.1	3.3	−13.4
Invalid	775	5,702	1,247	671	3,701	4,672	−85.3	26.2	186.2
Total Sales Tax	63,245,188	61,761,007	59,929,466	65,063,000	61,090,491	60,453,052	−5.1	−1.0	−9.3

Louisiana State Sales Tax Collections by Commodity

(Collections For Indicated Month Based On Sales For Preceding Month

							Per Cent Change		
							Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
	Apr 83	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Same Month Prior Year	Prior Month	
Grocery Stores	2,095,953	2,156,640	2,046,447	2,203,238	2,179,720	2,074,420	11.4	−4.8	6.7
Fruit and Vegetable Stores	102,666	96,991	96,705	100,892	84,733	101,071	7.0	19.3	3.0
Meat and Seafood Stores	323,233	281,931	307,121	310,571	263,340	274,110	−4.3	4.1	1.7
Restaurants and Cafes	2,607,486	2,416,374	2,563,026	2,448,219	2,627,414	2,381,467	2.5	−9.4	5.6
Saloons/ Bars/ Package Liquors	2,396,516	2,181,152	2,288,035	2,603,515	2,108,005	2,285,879	7.3	8.4	1.1
Dairy/ Egg/ Poultry	156,698	132,562	191,331	156,518	151,651	164,008	24.6	8.1	3.3
Bakeries	60,744	55,201	47,393	58,455	44,219	46,943	−5.2	6.2	−7.3
Chain Stores−Food	493,998	540,348	497,860	493,115	608,621	350,943	−49.8	−42.3	−2.3
Other Foods	1,141,411	1,074,794	1,097,905	1,188,487	1,123,039	1,208,342	11.3	7.6	0.2
Men and Boy's Clothing	269,309	260,049	291,401	281,269	222,985	244,238	1.8	9.5	−2.0
Women's Ready−To−Wear	673,047	598,675	587,393	521,650	506,532	539,816	1.4	6.6	−1.0
Millinery	511,564	569,135	423,838	523,652	372,807	397,947	4.8	6.7	10.1
Shoe Stores	609,246	626,826	519,909	500,931	508,396	636,985	−34.6	25.3	−19.0
Salvage Clothing	4,344	3,745	3,597	4,136	5,219	3,674	16.2	−29.6	122.7
Children's Clothing	56,313	37,682	35,930	35,231	42,050	45,278	−11.0	7.7	2.4
Chain Stores−Clothing	4,716	2,237	3,102	3,164	1,441	465	−87.9	−67.7	−25.7
Other Apparel	613,770	534,661	578,710	533,112	580,140	600,533	4.3	3.5	−2.5
Department Stores	2,060,459	1,764,715	2,208,437	2,257,764	2,015,170	2,403,533	36.9	19.3	23.7
Country and Farm Stores	14,200	8,158	6,150	8,569	8,383	9,263	8.9	10.5	−15.0
Variety Stores	1,772,866	1,854,580	1,685,145	1,703,787	1,545,790	1,689,451	4.9	9.3	2.5
Drug Stores	990,814	982,942	965,469	904,254	924,386	919,526	4.1	−0.5	5.1
Jewelry/ Leather/ Sporting Goods	1,052,916	1,091,289	1,176,057	1,080,706	963,003	1,022,411	3.6	6.2	21.4
Feed and Seed	137,211	119,542	123,654	136,969	143,711	103,878	−0.1	−27.7	−1.3
Hardware Stores	1,286,524	1,008,314	1,100,412	1,169,712	1,058,967	1,138,378	4.6	7.5	−11.3
Farm Implement Dealers	502,932	485,647	567,289	572,445	532,144	593,058	6.5	11.4	−24.7
Chain Stores−General Merchandise	1,683,613	1,721,343	1,904,222	1,741,634	1,748,110	2,013,036	4.2	15.2	−1.2
Other General Merchandise	1,021,977	1,239,333	885,088	947,060	725,512	812,534	−5.6	12.0	−14.3
Motor Vehicle Dealers	680,960	629,495	677,470	686,317	773,337	784,604	8.4	1.5	−3.2
Auto Parts/ Tires/ Etc.	1,885,212	1,756,498	1,876,059	1,988,516	1,813,488	1,890,690	1.4	4.3	−1.4
Service Stations	894,188	555,079	587,327	769,057	683,978	679,481	2.2	−0.7	11.5
Garages/ Repair Shops	875,123	754,946	763,481	896,974	780,137	768,532	−3.8	−1.5	−7.9
Diesel Fuel/ Fuel Oil	32,075	38,268	27,153	47,794	33,039	37,194	36.0	12.6	−11.2
Marine Supplies	138,714	122,639	166,933	171,854	149,954	125,558	−19.0	−16.3	−31.8
Motor Boats/ Etc.	119,560	138,874	127,451	130,694	110,003	79,673	−0.8	−27.6	−10.8
Aircraft/ Etc.	33,155	31,330	32,480	44,040	37,284	26,193	−47.8	−29.7	−40.7
Chain Stores−Automotive	961,191	989,908	544,234	2,957,771	571,606	896,699	26.0	56.9	18.2
Other Automotive	95,809	87,629	75,080	106,504	73,587	110,685	14.4	50.4	−17.7
Furniture Stores	678,838	658,762	669,816	713,700	674,287	663,397	8.6	−1.6	−2.9
Electric and Gas Appliances	1,235,662	1,076,674	1,092,773	1,189,537	1,097,488	1,144,354	6.6	4.3	8.9
Butane Dealers	626,373	500,268	631,763	513,165	566,230	674,536	3.8	19.1	−29.5
Store/ Office Furniture	755,577	690,450	709,545	825,149	707,727	1,167,559	47.6	65.0	−4.8
Hotel/ Restaurant Supplies	208,282	180,706	234,376	171,097	206,807	218,803	−6.3	5.8	9.7
Awnings/ Blinds/ Upholstery	249,406	238,873	269,017	261,495	270,494	263,658	−1.3	−2.5	−9.3
Dental/ Medical Supplies	334,262	288,146	393,364	371,223	517,591	389,884	15.6	−24.7	15.8
Safes/ Locks	30,913	32,823	28,077	28,054	35,382	31,563	−2.4	−10.8	−2.0
Chain Stores−Furniture	430	54	1,821	1,123	1,623	890	−6.5	−45.2	28.4
Other Furniture	299,633	233,912	254,280	303,797	254,943	251,416	0.3	−1.4	14.3
Building Contractors/ Construction	202,165	142,462	168,890	180,059	194,884	178,638	20.6	−8.3	−30.8
Lumber/ Paint/ Wallpaper Stores	3,528,072	3,495,955	3,925,599	4,028,518	3,883,894	3,873,368	25.7	−0.3	9.7
Electric /Plumbing /Elevators /Heating Materials	1,684,751	1,809,372	2,071,386	2,174,641	2,038,549	2,037,835	3.5	−0.0	−3.7
Oil Well Equipment	2,055,398	1,540,421	1,620,643	2,177,139	1,778,620	1,941,471	−50.9	9.2	−56.6
Contractors−Electrical, Etc.	179,808	154,920	171,901	176,340	195,022	184,098	6.8	−5.6	−9.6
Contractors−Paint	11,302	11,693	10,394	13,242	8,686	10,617	−15.2	22.2	−7.6
Contractors−Roofing, and Sheet Metal	43,475	45,562	27,770	50,467	41,054	62,588	55.7	52.5	10.5
Trucks/ Dragline/ Etc.	1,681,648	2,182,232	1,002,767	1,872,208	1,880,577	1,555,650	−19.0	−17.3	−24.6
Other Contractors	456,926	326,804	371,410	533,934	471,206	344,174	−15.2	−27.0	−22.9
Hotels/ Motels/ Etc.	936,614	870,522	907,735	934,066	825,826	864,843	17.7	4.7	0.6
Leasing/ Renting	1,620,740	4,138,099	1,359,103	1,545,839	2,958,169	1,430,989	−3.2	−51.6	10.4
Bowling/ Billiards	16,545	12,907	10,403	10,978	10,570	12,979	29.2	22.8	0.9
Laundry/ Tailoring	287,231	290,562	273,115	265,484	251,364	262,205	8.8	4.3	−0.3
Newspapers/ Printing	646,813	576,944	573,887	606,525	590,382	645,373	−6.6	9.3	−6.8
Cotton Gins/ Etc.	587	379	417	643	448	943	115.3	110.5	130.4
Warehouses	91,944	40,826	48,939	48,378	36,499	33,373	−44.0	−8.6	113.5
Shoe Repair/ Shine	22,155	11,269	11,586	15,849	10,486	12,255	6.5	16.9	4.0
Machine Shops/ Welding	764,214	449,288	502,702	586,758	409,886	521,287	−18.6	27.2	−27.5
Other Service Groups	477,308	501,245	515,626	682,008	620,255	600,691	−4.6	−3.2	−0.5
Beverage Bottlers	400,037	387,935	447,632	467,228	439,017	524,574	8.4	19.5	2.1

	Apr 83	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Per Cent Change		
							Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
							Same Month Prior Year	Prior Month	
Sugar Refineries	6,714	7,026	3,786	3,711	14,214	8,070	52.3	−43.2	−17.7
Petroleum/ Natural Gas	441,596	95,253	107,207	166,281	93,185	119,746	−43.8	28.5	−14.1
Petroleum Refineries	302,849	344,563	399,712	259,086	226,797	198,514	−81.5	−12.5	−41.2
Sawmills/ Sash−Door	8,560	10,062	7,200	6,962	5,509	7,609	−91.7	38.1	−24.1
Sand and Gravel	256,528	241,283	258,999	247,972	298,457	299,846	6.8	0.5	−12.3
Rice Mills	1,920	1,246	841	1,443	14,542	2,960	320.5	−79.6	162.5
Cotton Seed Oil	2,454	2,394	2,835	2,564	1,456	1,866	−17.6	28.2	−25.5
Ice Manufacture	11,837	12,936	22,444	28,326	31,942	31,110	17.9	−2.6	−13.7
Other Manufacturers	5,041,325	3,962,335	5,407,055	4,712,448	4,972,235	4,568,215	−25.3	−8.1	−19.5
Trucking/ Freight/ Etc.	1,904	579	4,268	664	2,177	1,618	37.4	−25.7	−66.6
Fire Protection	23,677	14,467	18,385	21,829	17,506	21,511	2.7	22.9	−10.8
Pipelines	6,450	143	320	1,270	2,398	542	−84.7	−77.4	−33.0
Light/ Power/ Gas	53,583	62,006	87,919	96,055	69,628	80,169	28.9	15.1	−1.2
Telephone/ Telegraph	8,998	7,999	9,213	8,442	8,992	8,448	−33.7	−6.0	5.7
Other Utilities	317,006	429,797	209,239	332,406	69,164	44,717	−35.8	−35.3	−36.7
Book Stores/ Etc.	336,171	246,769	250,166	306,177	234,474	304,357	−34.5	29.8	−10.1
Itinerant Vendors	9,941	9,374	8,896	10,665	8,489	9,342	−14.4	10.0	−16.9
Piano/ Musical Instruments	298,107	258,528	261,092	273,081	243,432	274,200	0.0	12.6	−5.2
Iron/ Sheet Metal/ Etc.	59,603	42,668	50,375	45,810	38,149	40,733	−17.4	6.8	−30.8
Photo Studios	282,814	217,714	234,098	281,115	204,342	237,509	12.5	16.2	1.3
Cigar Stores/ News	523,814	478,884	500,411	540,039	481,422	496,193	13.7	3.1	8.9
Florists/ Nurseries	284,516	282,802	288,820	219,725	163,719	164,124	0.4	0.2	0.4
Funeral Parlors	118,219	97,097	105,248	104,049	94,757	96,757	9.2	2.1	10.2
Fishing Bait	224,318	112,276	125,102	126,828	109,545	121,223	−25.8	10.7	2.7
Miscellaneous	6,322,101	6,665,396	5,883,736	5,875,798	6,278,570	5,640,337	−8.2	−10.2	35.4
Common Carriers	350,977	264,676	241,294	281,620	249,664	255,981	−20.5	2.5	−34.2
Total Sales Tax	63,245,188	61,761,007	59,929,466	65,063,000	61,090,491	60,453,052	−5.1	−1.0	−9.3

Louisiana Tourist Traffic Data

Visitors To Selected Tourist Attractions

	Apr 83	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Per Cent Change		
							Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
							Same Month Prior Year	Prior Month	
Audubon State Commemorative Area	9,283	10,645	8,153	8,631	6,685	5,889	-20.5	-11.9	-11.8
Camp Moore State Commemorative Area	302	549	470	496	391	804	101.0	105.6	34.8
Chemin-A-Haut State Park	3,749	4,941	12,463	8,836	7,088	3,351	1.5	-52.7	-3.5
Chicot State Park	26,278	31,190	36,034	40,588	26,388	27,281	-20.5	3.4	-29.4
Cypremort Point State Park	10,012	27,960	10,732	13,970	12,808	7,824	-0.7	-38.9	-34.0
Edward Douglass White Memorial	132	105	44	129	27	39	-39.1	44.4	-56.9
Fairview-Riverside State Park	8,109	21,060	12,714	27,850	23,920	15,792	-54.7	-34.0	-29.9
Fontainbleau State Park	22,736	33,156	34,420	48,112	16,108	19,722	86.0	22.4	23.0
Fort Jesup State Commemorative Area	5,472	5,746	1,268	5,890	3,240	3,088	-42.3	-4.7	-8.3
Fort Pike State Commemorative Area	13,400	26,834	10,000	11,000	9,000	25,432	263.3	182.6	61.0
Fort St. Jean Baptiste	1,338	2,609	1,080	1,691	908	556	-37.4	-38.8	0.0
Grand Isle State Park	20,000	37,109	25,000	32,101	27,000	17,925	-47.2	-33.6	-30.4
Hodges Gardens	15,527	7,565	4,998	4,267	3,192	na	-21.1	-25.2	-5.4
Indian Creek Recreational Area	11,797	22,445	25,042	30,607	15,509	7,049	-10.0	-54.5	6.8
Kent House State Commemorative Area	1,044	1,120	589	590	0	0	-31.9	0.2	-12.2
Lake Bistineau State Park	10,599	16,070	13,898	27,878	13,439	9,352	11.8	-30.4	-10.7
Lake Bruin State Park	47,329	5,870	3,784	2,838	3,410	2,250	-72.9	-34.0	15.6
Lake Claiborne State Park	7,880	14,378	11,840	64,368	29,220	18,088	426.7	-38.1	250.8
Lake D'Arbonne State Park	2,717	5,737	6,184	6,478	2,743	3,081	31.3	12.3	3.6
Longfellow-Evangeline State Park	24,882	19,558	16,120	21,704	13,594	12,690	-46.5	-6.6	-44.5
Los Adeas	28	32	26	24	29	321	-2.4	1006.9	na
Louisiana State Exhibit Museum, Shreveport	45,800	36,400	32,300	27,600	24,800	26,800	1.5	8.1	-2.9
Louisiana State Fairgrounds	156,200	78,564	13,900	16,583	25,525	91,200	144.7	257.3	11.4
Louisiana State Museum, New Orleans	21,565	20,434	14,852	15,516	10,876	5,454	-52.5	-49.9	-17.6
Mansfield State Commemorative Area	4,424	3,676	2,300	4,120	4,084	1,901	-50.3	-53.5	-23.7
Marksville State Commemorative Area	1,215	1,145	1,135	1,505	995	1,050	16.7	5.5	3.4
Old Arsenal Museum	8,796	8,983	5,363	8,074	5,884	3,104	-16.7	-47.2	-2.6
Old State Capitol	6,759	7,915	5,355	7,575	5,542	3,192	-27.4	-42.4	-3.5
Plaquemine Locks	61	223	87	204	135	145	222.2	7.4	na
Port Hudson	9,528	8,396	5,664	9,546	5,864	4,760	na	-18.8	na
Poverty Point State Commemorative Area	1,215	1,825	4,225	4,469	3,425	3,356	16.4	-2.0	-49.8
Rebel State Commemorative Area	1,949	2,633	4,331	2,020	2,194	2,894	206.9	31.9	50.4
St. Bernard State Park	11,544	8,030	3,216	2,200	3,734	6,140	30.6	64.4	-1.5
Sam Houston Jones State Park	43,046	50,165	36,527	31,123	23,032	28,522	-10.2	23.8	-13.9
Winter Parks Commemorative Area	59	397	136	119	165	90	na	-45.5	na

Visitors To Tourist Information Stations

Greenwood	11,306	15,982	20,625	24,662	19,647	11,350	-31.8	-42.2	3.6
Kentwood (I-55)	7,714	7,488	9,377	11,559	9,276	6,731	-21.7	-27.4	-14.8
Louisiana State Capitol	29,319	25,264	19,294	23,848	21,276	14,931	-7.1	-29.8	-16.0
Mound Center (I-20 W)	8,783	11,675	18,038	20,369	13,587	8,181	-10.6	-39.8	14.7
New Orleans	13,208	11,644	11,465	11,327	12,329	9,592	3.0	-22.2	28.6
Pearl River (I-59)	84,075	59,276	90,815	113,431	106,250	83,669	174.6	-21.3	80.9
St. Francisville	3,859	4,003	3,877	4,305	3,913	2,494	-6.7	-36.3	4.3
Slidell (I-10 W)	28,412	56,742	69,702	70,951	73,470	45,447	-18.4	-38.1	-15.4
Toledo Bend	3,031	2,212	2,533	3,119	2,300	1,717	4.3	-25.3	1.0
Vidalia	1,472	1,550	1,652	2,093	1,636	1,401	23.5	-14.4	4.1
Vinton (I-10 E)	19,979	21,802	31,168	38,201	25,816	15,785	-18.2	-38.9	10.9

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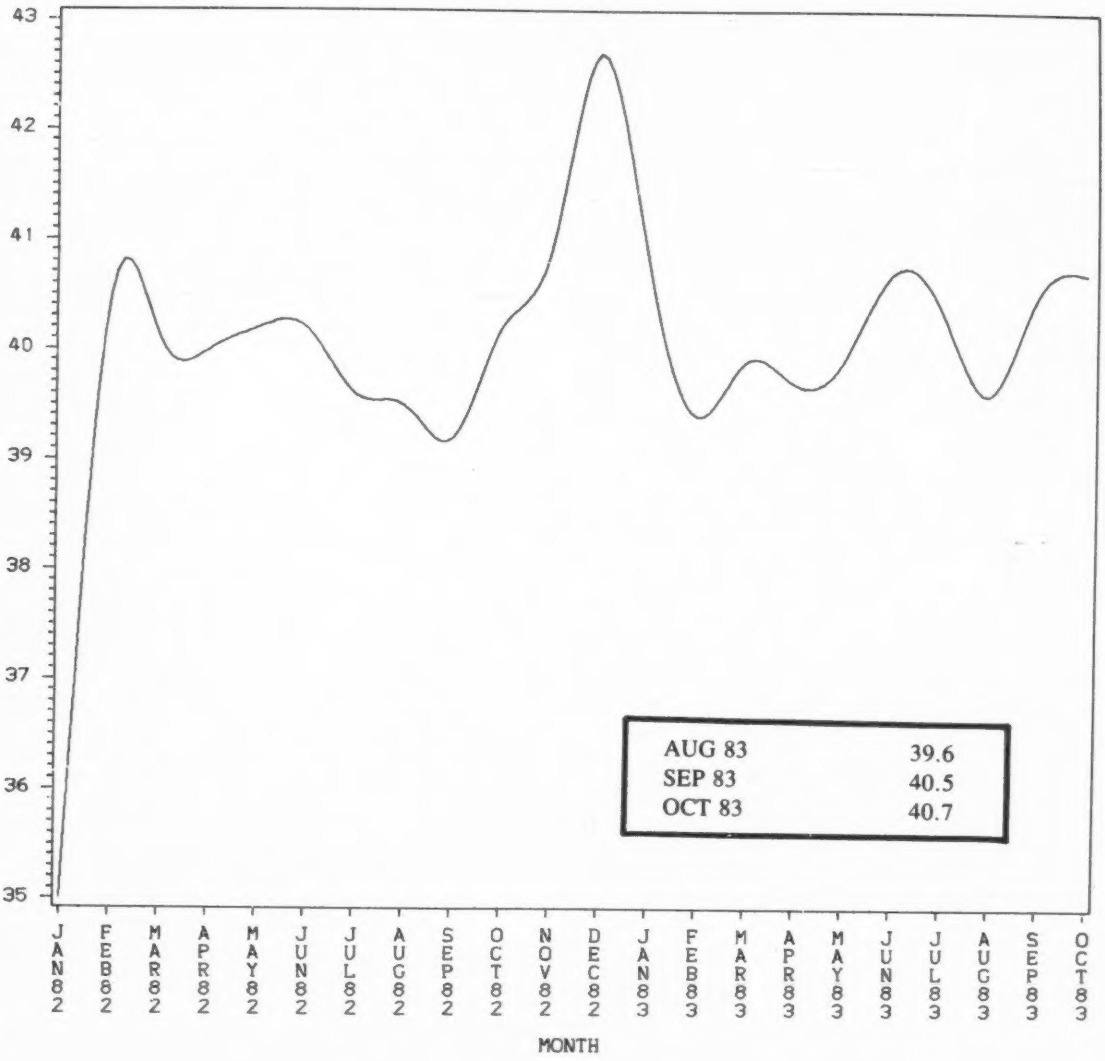

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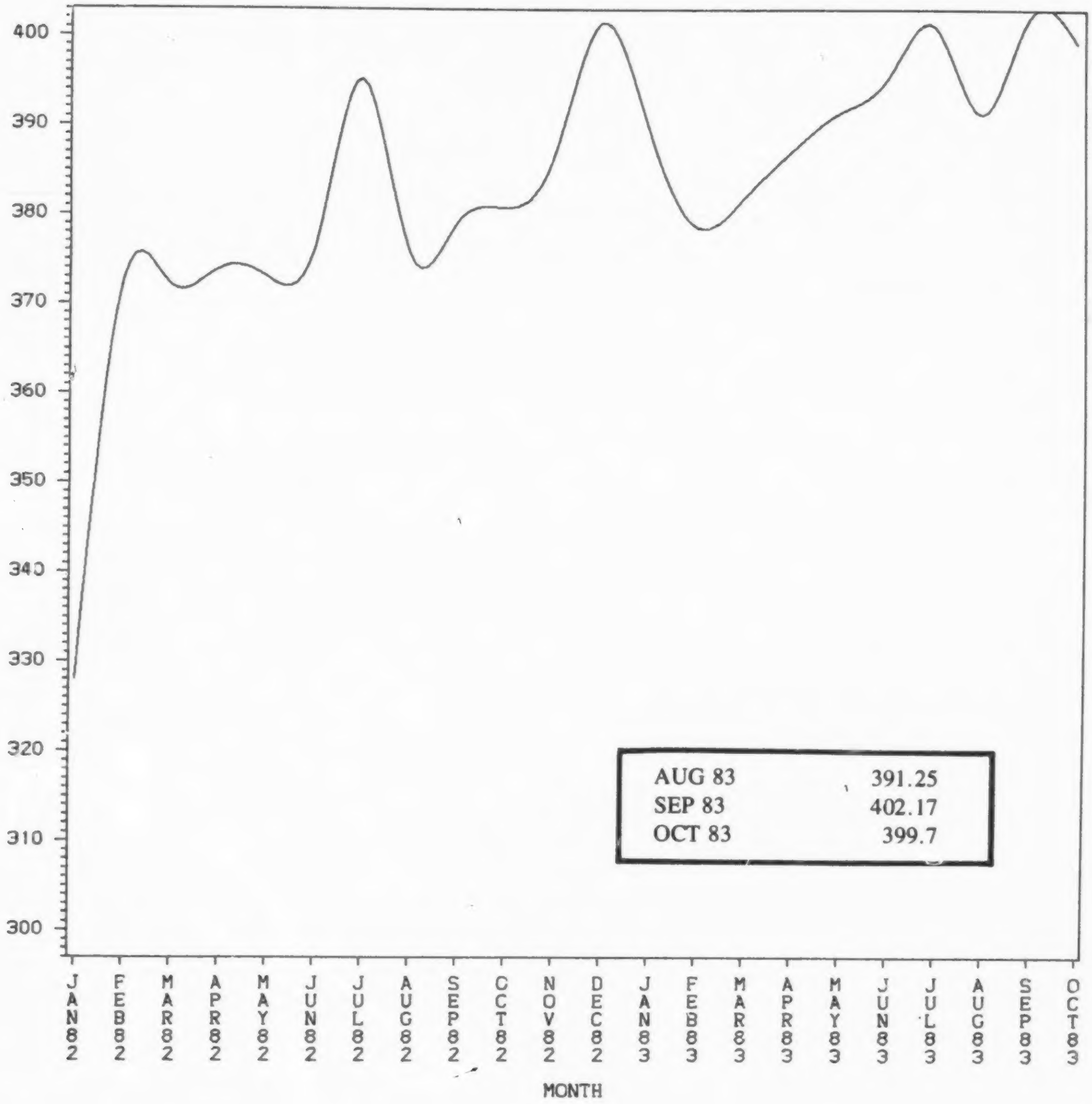

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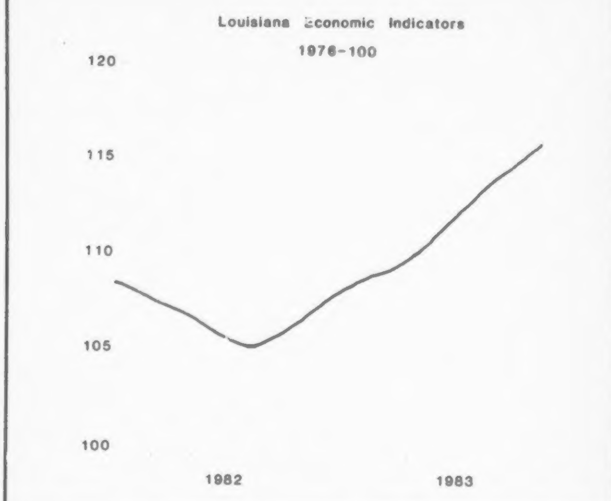

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JUN	105.9	111.5
JUL	105.4	112.5
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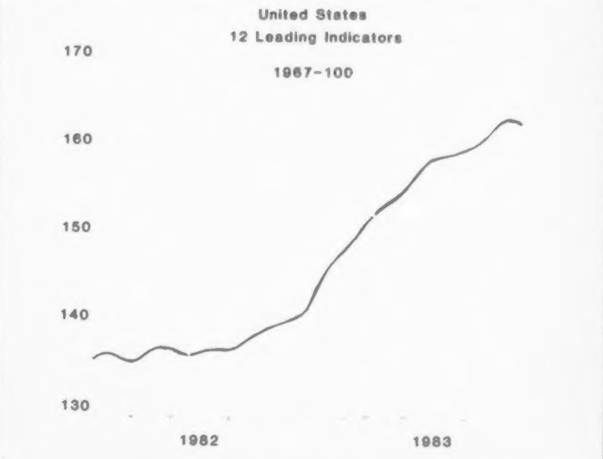

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SEP	137.5	160.2
OCT	138.6	162.4
NOV	139.4	161.8
DEC	140.9	

Monthly Summary

Louisiana	**October 1983**
Employment Statistics	
Unemployment Rate	10.9
Civilian Labor Force (000)	1929.5
Number of Unemployed (000)	210.4
Unemployments Benefits Paid	
Number of Weeks	248,791
Dollar Amount Paid	38,369,611
Average Weekly Manufacturing	
Hours	40.7
Earnings	399.27
Number of New Claims	35,486
Number of Exhaustions	8,653
Construction	
Number of Construction Contracts	3,885
Value of Construction Contracts ($ Million)	
Residential	175.1
Non-Residential	123.2
Non-Building	76.1
Revenue Collections	
Severance Tax	3,779,681
General Sales Tax	62,697,057
Motor Vehicle Tax	8,813,991
Gasoline Tax	13,627,891
Individual Income Tax	26,565,591
Corporation Income Tax	8,248,222
Corporation Franchise Tax	4,257,018
Tobacco Tax & Permits Tax	5,162,228
Alcoholic Beverages & Permits	4,342,178
Inheritance Tax	2,545,611
Total Revenues	208,414,692
Petroleum Production	
North Louisiana (000 Bbls)	2,914
South Louisiana (000 Bbls)	37,417
Crude Runs (Daily Avg - 000 Bbls) for Oct 83	1,635
General Business Activity	
Coal Exports ((000) Tons)	804.0
Telephones in Service	2,729,364
Total Mortgage Loans Closed for Oct 83	207.0
Total New Cars Sold	12,669
Total New Trucks Sold	5,917

International	**September**
Trade Weighted Dollar (May 29, 1970=100)	104.6
Exports, F.A.S. Value	17387.0
Imports, Custom Value	22175.1
Merchandise Trade Balance	-4788.1

United States	**October**
Employment Statistics (000)	
Civilian Non-Institutional Population	174,779
Civilian Labor Force	111,815
Percent of the Population	64.0
Employed	101,928
Employed/Population Percent	58.3
Unemployed	9,886
Unemployment Rate	8.8
Index Numbers (1967=100)	
Consumer Price Index - All Items	302.6
Industrial Price Index - Total Index	154.8
Producer Price Index - Finished Goods	287.9
12 Leading Indicators	161.8

DIVISION ANALYSIS

A prosperous New Year to y'all! Good economic news continues to come in during the first month of 1984. At the national level, the unemployment rate dropped to 8.2 percent in December from November's 8.4 percent. This 8.2 percent is below the unemployment rate most economic forecasters predicted would not be achieved until well into 1984. Also, the average (mean) duration of those working remaining unemployed declined to 19.6 weeks from 20.2 weeks in November. Price increases have decreased to an annual rate of less than 3 percent. Although the U.S. Leading Economic

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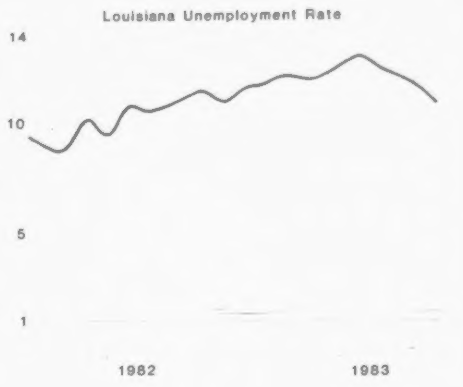

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MAY	9.5
JUN	10.7
JUL	10.6
AUG	10.6
SEP	11.2
OCT	11.5
NOV	10.0
DEC	11.6

1983	
JAN	11.8
FEB	12.2
MAR	12.1
APR	12.2
MAY	12.7
JUN	13.1
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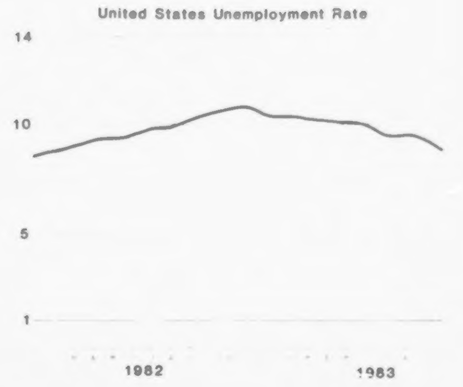

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MAY	9.4
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1983	
JAN	10.4
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MAR	10.3
APR	10.2
MAY	10.1
JUN	10.0
JUL	9.5
AUG	9.5
SEP	9.3
OCT	8.8
NOV	8.4

Division Analysis (continued)

Indicators dropped 4/10ths of one percent in November it appears that 1984 will be a good year for the national economy. Most forecasters are predicting an increase between 4 and 5 percent in the real gross national product and very moderate inflation—about 5 percent. The unemployment rate should drop below 7.5 percent by mid-year.

Although the Louisiana economy continues to lag behind the national economic recovery, the economic recovery of the past few months should continue through most of 1984. The unemployment rate in Louisiana dropped from a revised October rate of 11.1 percent to 10.6 percent in November. The unemployment rates for the major metropolitan areas ranged from 7.5 percent in Lafayette to 14.9 percent in Lake Charles.

The Louisiana Economic Indicators—which measures the future short term direction of the Louisiana Economy—increased nearly 7/10ths of one percent in November which continues the moderate growth that began in the fall of 1982. The increase in the index was primarily due to the increase in oil and gas drilling permits which gives further evidence that the important oil patch activity in the state is recovering.

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Economic Indicators: LOUISIANA

	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Oct 83	Growth Rate Latest Month Same Month Prior Year	Growth Rate Latest Month Prior Month	Growth Rate Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS (000)									
Civilian Labor Force (000)	1859.2	1886.0	1897.7	1909.4	1924.3	**1929.5**	1.9	0.3	0.9
Total Unemployed (000)	235.6	246.5	239.3	233.1	225.5	**210.4**	−3.0	−6.7	23.5
Unemployment Rate	12.7	13.1	12.6	12.2	11.7	**10.9**	−5.2	−6.8	21.4
Unemployment Benefits Paid (000 Weeks)	361.5	379.2	307.5	342.7	273.1	**248.8**	−18.5	−8.9	36.8
Unemployment Benefits Paid ($ Million)	56.1	59.3	47.8	53.0	42.4	**38.4**	−14.5	−9.4	53.1
New Claims (000)	40.3	45.4	41.3	44.0	32.0	**35.4**	−20.4	10.6	14.9
Exhaustions (000)	11.5	12.2	9.3	11.5	8.6	**8.7**	24.3	1.2	85.2
Number Employed (000)									
Nonagricultural	1587.8	1585.0	1583.5	1573.9	1587.2	**1597.1**	−0.7	0.6	−2.0
Wholesale And Retail Trade	365.1	365.2	366.3	366.9	367.4	**368.1**	−0.1	0.2	−0.6
Government	311.1	310.0	305.7	302.4	309.6	**314.6**	1.6	1.6	0.4
Services And Miscellaneous	308.3	307.0	306.2	306.3	307.8	**308.1**	1.4	0.1	2.3
Manufacturing	191.2	191.4	192.4	191.7	192.6	**194.4**	−3.4	0.9	−6.4
Transportation & Public Utilities	123.9	124.6	125.4	119.1	124.0	**124.1**	−3.3	0.1	−3.9
Construction	115.5	114.3	115.3	115.2	115.0	**116.4**	−4.1	1.2	−10.7
Finance, Insurance, And Real Estate	80.1	80.2	80.5	80.5	80.2	**80.1**	0.6	−0.1	2.0
Mining	92.5	92.3	91.7	91.1	90.6	**91.3**	−4.7	0.8	−5.7
Average Weekly Manufacturing Hours	39.9	40.7	40.4	39.6	40.5	**40.2**	0.0	−0.7	1.1
Average Weekly Manufacturing Earnings	391.42	395.20	401.17	391.25	402.17	**392.75**	3.2	−2.3	5.1
REVENUE COLLECTIONS ($ MILLION)									
Severance Tax	80.2	58.5	60.4	69.1	61.6	**73.8**	18.1	19.8	−7.8
General Sales Tax	61.7	59.9	65.0	61.1	60.5	**62.7**	−8.7	3.6	−10.0
Motor Vehicle Tax	8.8	9.3	1.9	9.7	9.1	**8.8**	14.3	−3.3	−5.7
Gasoline Tax	13.5	14.2	13.1	13.4	13.8	**13.6**	−0.7	−1.4	−1.5
Individual Income Tax	31.6	21.0	23.7	31.3	24.4	**26.6**	11.3	9.0	3.4
Corporation Income Tax	51.3	49.4	3.2	7.1	45.4	**8.2**	−47.8	−81.9	5.8
Corporation Franchise Tax	58.8	3.6	2.3	5.0	5.8	**4.3**	−15.7	−25.9	13.2
Tobacco Tax And Permits	5.1	6.5	5.0	5.0	5.0	**5.2**	2.0	4.0	−7.4
Alcoholic Beverages and Permits	4.3	4.8	5.2	4.3	5.1	**4.3**	−8.5	−15.7	−4.5
Inheritance Tax	3.3	2.4	2.2	2.3	3.8	**2.5**	0.0	−34.2	6.1
Total Revenues	324.2	225.4	186.9	211.4	230.9	**208.4**	0.4	−9.7	−4.0
CONSTRUCTION									
Value of Construction Contracts ($ Million)									
Residential	172.0	173.7	188.9	184.6	161.0	**175.1**	38.1	8.8	51.8
Non−residential	83.1	145.4	101.0	157.0	77.2	**123.2**	3.0	59.6	−25.8
Non−building	452.9	87.3	80.2	112.2	147.6	**76.1**	−12.3	−48.4	48.0
Number Of Construction Contracts	3,659	4,005	4,066	3,442	3,454	**3,885**	46.9	12.5	50.9
CRUDE PETROLEUM & LEASE CONDENSATE PRODUCTION									
North Louisiana (42−Gal Bbls (000))	2,945	2,850	2,945	2,945	2,790	**2,914**	−3.6	4.4	−0.5
South Louisiana (42−Gal Bbls (000))	37,262	36,150	37,355	36,735	36,210	**37,417**	3.5	3.3	2.0
Crude Runs To Stills ((000) Bbls, Daily Avg)	1,746	1,710	1,656	na	na	na	−8.1	−3.2	−2.8
GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY									
Coal Exports ((000 Tons))	486.1	733.3	633.0	556.0	765.4	**804.0**		5.0	
Dissolutions	54	44	31	40	55		−6.8	37.5	0.0
New Corporations	916	1,210	1,216	1,005	1,287		−11.0	28.1	−15.8
Telephones In Service (000)	2829.8	2800.6	2783.0	2772.6	2752.4	**2729.4**	−5.5	−0.8	−2.6
Total Mortgage Loans Closed ($ Million)	253.3	221.4	218.8	257.0	266.8	**207.0**	79.5	−22.4	152.0

NEW CARS & TRUCK SALES

	Nov 82	Dec 82	Jan 83	Feb 83	Mar 83	Apr 83	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Oct 83	
NEW CAR SALES													
Buick			1,068	690	1,131	1,133	1,178	1,271	1,080	1,429	1,082	**1,145**	5.8
Cadillac			415	233	446	408	409	473	411	432	435	**402**	−7.6
Chevrolet			1,633	967	1,642	1,658	1,864	2,079	1,581	1,850	1,541	**1,664**	8.0
Chrysler			231	151	285	291	265	326	275	315	286	**271**	−5.2
Datsun			736	553	793	847	788	901	713	887	792	**637**	−19.6
Dodge			411	225	459	272	359	406	413	361	273	**378**	38.5
Ford			2,013	981	1,645	1,454	1,581	1,827	1,545	1,657	1,615	**2,047**	26.7
Honda			275	199	210	260	264	351	268	376	312	**375**	20.2
Lincoln			330	184	207	202	226	244	234	297	310	**307**	−1.0
Mazda			244	150	262	212	233	262	223	276	263	**244**	−7.2
Mercury			650	421	623	642	634	668	551	733	565	**613**	8.5
Oldsmobile			1,751	1,237	1,994	1,783	1,736	2,209	1,809	2,185	1,745	**1,861**	6.6
Plymouth			200	90	227	171	205	170	149	171	137	**210**	53.3
Pontiac			627	4,040	721	694	747	974	784	932	851	**1,011**	18.8
Renault			56	55	82	101	74	120	87	161	106	**108**	1.9
Toyota			904	535	844	688	751	883	878	975	703	**747**	6.3
Volkswagen			92	49	81	86	88	107	68	86	87	**57**	−34.5
Volvo			101	59	110	123	144	148	102	169	120	**116**	−3.3
Others			698	302	522	485	424	585	513	466	540	**476**	−11.9
Total			12,435	11,121	12,284	11,510	11,970	14,004	11,684	13,758	11,763	**12,669**	7.7
NEW TRUCK SALES													
Chevrolet			1,609	917	1,633	1,659	1,648	2,061	1,701	1,926	1,652	**1,802**	9.1
Datsun			199	97	173	174	181	237	243	306	251	**222**	−11.6
Dodge			408	242	507	532	528	644	434	529	475	**455**	−4.2
Ford			2,151	1,166	1,855	2,070	1,986	2,339	1,828	2,095	1,927	**2,054**	6.6
GMC			471	272	528	529	514	580	462	539	383	**514**	34.2
Mazda			119	80	128	129	83	132	101	176	126	**131**	4.0
Toyota			338	185	272	303	325	502	421	547	540	**437**	−19.1
Others			295	167	298	330	267	308	246	318	307	**302**	−1.6
Total			5,590	3,126	5,394	5,726	5,532	6,803	5,436	6,436	5,661	**5,917**	4.5

Economic Indicators: INTERNATIONAL

							Growth Rate		
							Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
	Apr 83	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	**Sep 83**	Same Month Prior Year	**Prior Month**	
GENERAL TRADE INFORMATION ($ MILLION)									
Trade Weighted Dollar (May 29, 1970=100)	100.1	100.3	102.1	103.2	104.4	**104.6**	**2.2**	**0.2**	**3.7**
Exports, F.A.S. Value	16073.8	15566.4	17008.3	16628.5	16630.2	**17387.0**	**0.4**	**4.6**	**−10.0**
Imports, Customs Value	19771.1	21514.4	21024.4	21949.9	22782.3	**22175.1**	**7.7**	**−2.7**	**−1.4**
Merchandise Trade Balance	−3697.3	−5948.0	−4016.1	−5321.4	−6152.1	−4788.1	**46.8**	**−22.2**	**63.0**
COMMODITY EXPORT/IMPORT									
Meats and Meat Preparations	−62.7	−92.7	−86.3	−98.1	−92.5	−65.7	**−53.8**	**−29.0**	**19.9**
Dairy Products	9.3	1.7	1.6	−1.7	−4.2	−1.1	**−89.3**	**−73.8**	
Fish and Fish Preparations	−188.8	−246.7	−257.3	−191.4	−127.5	−204.2	**32.9**	**60.2**	
Vegetables and Fruit	−101.4	−145.9	−21.3	11.3	−23.8	**30.3**	**1415.0**	**−227.3**	
Hides and Skins	46.8	60.2	51.6	64.4	53.6	**64.5**	**38.7**	**20.3**	
Paper Base Stocks	69.2	19.4	26.9	26.8	31.9	**42.9**	**−2.1**	**34.5**	
Metal Ores and Concentrates	50.0	7.2	4.3	−23.4	−38.7	−34.6	**280.2**	**−10.6**	
Petroleum and Petroleum Products	−2847.9	−4327.2	−3951.0	−4522.4	−4983.5	−4905.8	**16.3**	**−1.6**	**−14.9**
Chemical Elements and Compounds	144.2	127.3	362.8	229.1	292.4	**218.7**	**176.8**	**−25.2**	
Medicinal and Pharmaceutical Products	152.7	144.9	145.4	130.6	127.0	**143.3**	**−5.5**	**12.8**	
Fertilizers and Fertilizer Materials	−4.0	35.2	68.3	42.7	53.6	**27.7**	**−50.7**	**−48.3**	
Tires and Tubes For Tires	−0.8	−100.0	−82.2	−105.3	−90.4	−81.4	**4.9**	**−10.0**	
Paper and Paperboard	−104.2	−120.8	−162.8	−113.8	−154.7	−110.1	**16.8**	**−28.8**	
Textile Yarn	−40.2	−58.9	−81.2	−103.1	−91.6	−74.3	**454.5**	**−18.9**	
Iron and Steel	−336	−438	−391	−440	−507	−457	**4.6**	**−9.8**	
Metal Manufactures	−37.0	−45.2	−62.3	−94.6	−81.6	−109.4	**−7.7**	**34.1**	
Machinery	927.5	759.1	603.9	474.4	[illegible]	**805.8**	**−46.6**	**246.7**	
Transport Equipment	−814.8	−1179.1	−154.9	−908.9	[illegible]	−449.4	**−30.5**	**−67.0**	
Raw Cotton	207.3	157.5	150.4	145.2	137.0		**25.9**	**−5.6**	**−21.8**
Soybeans	473.9	388.8	450.6	341.9	445.1		**16.7**	**30.2**	**−8.7**
Rice, Grains, & Cereal Preparations	1244.3	1171.9	1308.7	1178.5	1134.7		**−7.7**	**−3.7**	**−13.8**

Economic Indicators: UNITED STATES

							Growth Rate		
							Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	**Oct 83**	Same Month Prior Year	**Prior Month**	
PRODUCER PRICE INDEXES (1967 = 100)									
Finished Goods	284.3	285.0	285.2	286.2	285.1	**287.9**	1.3	**1.0**	2.1
Finished Consumer Goods	283.5	284.4	285.2	285.6	285.1	**287.1**	1.0	**0.7**	1.9
Intermediate Materials	310.1	311.7	313.0	314.4	315.7	**316.0**	1.9	**0.1**	0.4
Crude Materials	325.7	323.2	320.6	326.9	328.3	**324.5**	3.9	**−1.2**	0.6
CONSUMER PRICE INDEXES (1967 = 100)									
All Items	297.1	298.1	299.3	300.3	301.8	**302.6**	2.9	**0.3**	3.3
Food and Beverages	285.0	284.7	284.7	284.9	285.3	**285.7**	2.2	**0.1**	2.4
Housing	321.8	323.1	324.5	324.8	326.4	**326.8**	1.9	**0.1**	2.9
Apparel and Upkeep	196.1	195.6	195.0	197.3	200.4	**200.7**	2.7	**0.1**	2.3
Transportation	296.2	298.3	300.4	302.4	303.7	**305.0**	3.2	**0.4**	2.1
Medical Care	354.3	355.4	357.7	360.0	361.2	**362.9**	7.1	**0.5**	9.4
Entertainment	244.8	245.4	246.0	246.6	247.5	**249.1**	3.7	**0.6**	4.6
INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION INDEXES (1967 = 100)									
Total Index	144.4	146.4	149.7	151.8	153.9	**155.1**	14.3	**0.8**	2.7
Energy	133.8	133.6	138.5	139.4	139.0	**138.6**	3.4	**−0.3**	−1.2
Durable Consumer Goods	145.5	149.2	152.9	154.2	157.4	**156.7**	23.9	**−0.4**	10.0
Nondurable Consumer Goods	152.3	153.6	155.6	157.1	157.5	**158.5**	6.7	**0.6**	2.6
Business Equipment	147.7	150.2	153.3	156.6	158.6	**161.1**	9.5	**1.6**	−8.0
Defense and Space Equipment	117.6	118.0	120.4	120.2	121.8	**123.1**	10.0	**1.1**	9.6
Construction Supplies	138.4	142.1	145.8	149.0	151.1	**151.9**	24.0	**0.5**	9.9
Business Supplies	166.0	166.8	170.4	175.3	179.3	**179.4**	11.8	**0.1**	2.5
Durable Goods Materials	134.7	137.0	141.1	144.2	147.2	**149.4**	26.1	**1.5**	3.4
Nondurable Goods Materials	172.1	174.3	177.0	178.0	183.4	**184.8**	16.8	**0.8**	7.5
Energy Materials	121.1	121.8	127.7	128.0	126.4	**125.9**	2.7	**−0.4**	−2.3
Home Goods and Clothing	129.2	130.2	132.3	133.3	135.2	**135.6**	13.1	**0.3**	5.5
GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY (1967 = 100)									
Index of 12 Leading Indicators	154.4	157.3	158.2	158.9	160.5	**161.8**	16.7	**0.8**	11.8
Index of 4 Roughly Coincident Indicators	137.9	139.8	140.8	140.6	143.0	**144.5**	8.7	**1.0**	−0.3
Index Of 6 Lagging Indicators	110.8	109.6	109.8	110.6	109.9	**109.6**	−8.8	**−0.3**	−9.1
Index of Coincident to Lagging Ratio	124.5	127.6	128.2	127.1	130.1	**131.8**	19.2	**1.3**	9.8
Housing Starts, Privately Owned (000)	174.9	173.2	161.6	176.8	155.2	**155.2**	40.5	**0.0**	65.6
Housing Starts, Publically Owned (000)	0.6	0.6	0.4	0.9	1.9	**0.6**	−40.0	**−68.4**	10.8
FINANCE									
Percent Yield On 3−Month Federal Securities	8.19	8.79	9.08	9.39	9.05	**8.71**	12.4	**−3.8**	−24.5
Percent Yield on State and Local Bonds	8.39	8.76	8.70	9.04	8.97	**8.93**	−0.1	**−0.4**	−21.0
Average Percent Yield on Corporate Bonds	12.30	12.54	12.73	13.01	12.91	**12.79**	−5.5	**−0.9**	−16.6
M1 : Currency + Demand Deposits ($ Billion)	507.4	511.7	515.5	516.7	517.1	**517.9**	10.5	**0.2**	10.8
M2 : M1 + Other Checkable Deposits ($ Billion)	2096.2	2114.4	2126.3	2136.9	2145.4	**2162.0**	12.0	**0.8**	11.8
Bank Debits ($ Billion)	107273.3	106799.4	107884.4	111538.1	110700.7		17.2	**−0.8**	17.7
Credit Union Deposits ($ Billion)	59.1	57.8	61.4	61.0	60.9	**60.9**	18.7	**0.0**	26.1
Savings & Loan Deposits ($ Billion)	690.9	605.9	599.6	599.7	600.9	**612.0**	13.3	**1.8**	10.6
Commercial Bank Deposits ($ Billion)	1251.3	1257.0	1283.4	1278.2	1293.8	**1296.2**	9.2	**0.2**	10.9
EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS (MILLIONS)									
Civilian Noninstitutional Population	174.0	174.1	174.3	174.4	174.6	**174.8**	1.1	**0.1**	1.1
Civilian Labor Force	110.7	111.9	111.9	112.3	112.4	**111.8**	0.9	**−0.5**	1.2
Percent of Population	63.7	64.3	64.2	64.4	64.4	**64.0**	−0.2	**−0.6**	0.1
Employed	99.6	100.8	101.3	101.6	101.9	**101.9**	2.7	**0.0**	0.5
Employment−Population Ratio	57.2	57.9	58.1	58.2	58.4	**58.3**	1.6	**−0.2**	−0.6
Unemployed	11.2	11.1	10.6	10.7	10.4	**9.9**	−14.7	**−4.8**	8.3
Unemployment Rate	10.1	10.0	9.5	9.5	9.3	**8.8**	−16.2	**−5.4**	7.2
LIFE INSURANCE STATISTICS									
Annualized Premium ($ Million)	355.6	384.1	335.9	364.9	365.7	**382.6**	22.5	**4.6**	19.6
Face Amount ($ Billion)	38.0	40.8	35.0	38.4	37.6	**38.7**	19.1	**2.9**	27.0
Premium Per $1,000	9.36	9.42	9.59	9.51	9.72	**9.89**	2.8	**1.7**	−6.0
Average Policy Size (000)	45.3	47.3	47.0	47.1	45.9	**46.1**	15.2	**0.4**	17.5
Premium Per Policy	424	445	450	448	446	**456**	19.4	**2.2**	10.7
Number Of Ordinary Life Insurance Policies (000)	838.9	862.5	745.9	814.9	819.4	**839.7**	2.7	**2.5**	7.9

Economic Indicators: LOUISIANA METROPOLITAN AREAS

NEW ORLEANS AREA

	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	**Oct 83**	Growth Rate: Latest Month: Same Month Prior Year	Growth Rate: Latest Month: **Prior Month**	Growth Rate: Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS									
Total Civilian Labor Force (000)	508.1	514.7	520.6	523.1	519.4	**523.6**	1.2	0.8	0.3
Total Employed (000)	451.3	455.4	463.2	465.7	463.9	**471.9**	1.7	1.7	−1.5
Total Unemployed (000)	56.8	59.3	57.4	57.4	55.5	**51.7**	−3.2	−6.8	19.5
Unemployment Rate	11.2	11.5	11.0	11.0	11.2	**10.6**	−2.8	−5.4	19.8
Average Weekly Manufacturing Earnings	336.97	345.98	347.90	340.96	358.68	**338.19**	−5.9	−5.7	−0.1
Average Weekly Manufacturing Hours	37.4	38.7	38.4	37.8	39.2	**38.3**	−0.5	−2.3	0.0
CONSTRUCTION									
Highway Construction Contracts ($ Million)			347.84	401.55	388.32	**386.59**		−0.4	
Value of Construction Contracts ($ Million)									
Residential	68.9	48.5	61.6	39.6	45.4		114.2	14.6	83.9
Nonresidential	26.6	39.4	24.7	25.2	40.1		−45.4	59.1	−32.1
Number Of Construction Contracts	1,379	1,306	974	812	1,393		269.5	71.6	96.6
GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY									
Airline Cargo (Tons)	1,388	1,468	1,440	1,516			1.1	5.3	−7.9
Airline Passenger Boardings (000)	267	259	255	240	255		20.9	6.3	−0.4
Attendance Of Conventions And Meetings	58,477	48,718	36,487	43,612	37,598	**74,212**	−12.6	97.4	−14.1
Newspaper Advertising Linage	50,120	51,609					69.4	3.0	2.2
Ocean Shipments (000 (Tons))	802.2	588.1	1352.0	1321.7	1364.7	**1313.9**	3.8	−3.7	−15.0
Telephones In Service (000)	939.3	931.5	923.0	915.9	909.2	**900.3**	−6.2	−1.0	−2.8
Total Mortgage Loans Closed ($ Million)	165.3	133.9	113.4	142.1	167.7	**128.1**	89.2	−23.6	149.6
REVENUE COLLECTIONS									
Retail Sales Tax – State	14,822,255	17,168,964	16,734,116	17,143,443	16,149,689	**16,638,768**	5.2	3.0	−2.8

NEW CARS & TRUCK SALES

	Nov 82	Dec 82	Jan 83	Feb 83	Mar 83	Apr 83	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	**Oct 83**	Same Month Prior Year	Prior Month	Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
NEW CAR SALES															
Buick			272	195	286	333	334	352	331	435	295	**348**		18.0	
Cadillac			126	65	134	118	157	131	145	148	131	**117**		−10.7	
Chevrolet			364	230	468	399	517	498	405	547	384	**429**		11.7	
Chrylser			55	31	50	66	58	67	68	70	65	**82**		26.2	
Datsun			298	225	307	268	322	312	265	329	277	**198**		−28.5	
Dodge			142	67	137	82	143	193	168	168	132	**120**		−9.1	
Ford			543	275	501	421	513	580	589	583	724	**608**		−16.0	
Honda			101	74	62	114	84	132	80	133	114	**122**		7.0	
Lincoln			142	53	69	59	70	80	68	91	86	**101**		17.4	
Mazda			97	51	64	66	76	73	72	101	80	**62**		−22.5	
Mercury			168	134	150	205	191	196	144	196	141	**139**		−1.4	
Oldsmobile			450	296	530	411	520	617	638	613	366	**483**		32.0	
Plymouth			54	17	51	38	88	41	58	52	43	**52**		20.9	
Pontiac			148	99	178	153	155	179	163	204	152	**205**		34.9	
Renault			33	20	43	65	52	81	45	75	39	**54**		38.5	
Toyota			351	210	301	235	254	333	327	338	222	**242**		9.0	
Volkswagen			35	23	33	28	39	47	37	33	41	**32**		−22.0	
Volvo			31	26	40	47	62	59	37	40	33	**36**		9.1	
Others			114	122	209	171	198	237	167	214	219	**181**		−17.4	
Total			3,524	2,213	3,613	3,279	3,833	4,208	3,807	4,370	3,544	**3,611**		1.9	
NEW TRUCK SALES															
Chevrolet			274	147	288	327	313	322	300	441	296	**337**		13.9	
Datsun			52	20	47	33	43	52	75	72	58	**43**		−25.9	
Dodge			88	60	101	120	135	198	143	142	111	**104**		−6.3	
Ford			476	266	518	547	560	649	503	559	499	**514**		3.0	
GMC			36	23	48	73	53	68	47	52	48	**49**		2.1	
Mazda			26	24	27	31	11	26	18	35	26	**14**		−46.2	
Toyota			79	42	64	86	67	141	120	142	131	**73**		−44.3	
Others			73	36	61	96	68	69	46	73	63	**76**		20.6	
Total			1,104	618	1,154	1,313	1,250	1,525	1,252	1,516	1,232	**1,210**		−1.8	

Economic Indicators: LOUISIANA METROPOLITAN AREAS

BATON ROUGE AREA

	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	**Oct 83**	Growth Rate: Latest Month: Same Month Prior Year	Growth Rate: Latest Month: **Prior Month**	Growth Rate: Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS									
Total Civilian Labor Force (000)	231.4	234.3	235.8	237.0	241.0	**243.0**	4.2	0.8	2.2
Total Employed (000)	207.0	207.7	210.1	212.2	217.4	**221.0**	5.5	1.7	1.1
Total Unemployed (000)	24.4	26.6	25.7	24.8	23.6	**22.0**	−7.6	−6.8	18.4
Unemployment Rate	10.5	11.4	10.9	10.5	9.8	**9.1**	−10.8	−7.1	15.7
Average Weekly Manufacturing Earnings	460.60	494.21	489.41	483.11	483.00	**484.83**	4.7	0.4	3.8
Average Weekly Manufacturing Hours	39.3	43.2	42.3	41.9	42.0	**43.6**	7.7	3.8	2.7
CONSTRUCTION									
Highway Construction Contracts ($ Million)			36.85	36.36	37.16	**31.78**		−14.5	
Value of Construction Contracts ($ Million)									
Residential	22.5	27.1	23.6	56.1	39.2		117.8	−30.1	92.9
Nonresidential	13.2	30.8	13.0	13.1	13.8		30.2	5.3	38.6
Number Of Construction Contracts	700	894	647	960	647		22.3	−32.6	55.1
GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY									
Airline Cargo (Tons)	107	124	135	114	125	**126**	1.6	0.8	1.4
Airline Passenger Boardings (000)	26.7	25.9	27.0	26.0	23.3	**24.1**	6.6	3.4	4.7
Classified Advertisement Linage (000)	1297.8	1186.0	1433.3	1436.0	1221.6	**1303.7**	12.1	6.7	3.9
Classified Advertisement Count (000)	107.6	104.0	107.9	111.6	105.5	**109.5**	9.5	3.8	7.3
Coal Exports ((000 Tons))	195.6	25.5	91.9	121.4	161.1			32.7	
Newspaper Advertising Linage	4,037,808	3,760,761	3,629,105	3,827,475	3,969,219	**4,409,834**	15.3	11.1	6.7
Ocean Shipments ((000 Tons))	286.4	72.0	131.0	169.0	294.0	**201.0**	146.3	−31.6	25.5
Telephones In Service (000)	365.8	361.3	361.1	359.1	356.5	**353.5**	−5.9	−0.8	−2.7
Total Mortgage Loans Closed ($ Million)	18	20	26	23	20	**17**	151.5	−12.3	156.7
REVENUE COLLECTIONS									
Retail Sales Tax − State	6,704,286	6,571,826	6,823,109	7,881,890	6,800,751	**6,915,414**	3.2	1.7	−1.7

NEW CARS & TRUCK SALES

	Nov 82	Dec 82	Jan 83	Feb 83	Mar 83	Apr 83	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	**Oct 83**	Same Month Prior Year	Prior Month	Latest 12 Months
NEW CAR SALES															
Buick			147	74	111	106	124	155	83	197	110	**135**		22.7	
Cadillac			70	22	45	57	35	71	44	63	73	**53**		−27.4	
Chevrolet			235	105	176	241	168	267	212	218	184	**205**		11.4	
Chrysler			43	22	40	49	41	55	43	58	69	**41**		−40.6	
Datsun			133	114	118	118	137	187	132	168	164	**129**		−21.3	
Dodge			64	14	25	30	29	43	33	37	36	**33**		−8.3	
Ford			314	115	176	191	167	265	202	237	204	**164**		−19.6	
Honda			81	23	37	16	42	49	36	59	38	**95**		150.0	
Lincoln			40	21	17	23	15	34	15	32	46	**32**		−30.4	
Mazda			23	19	29	20	20	28	31	24	28	**33**		17.9	
Mercury			51	37	37	58	46	57	40	65	60	**51**		−15.0	
Oldsmobile			181	128	177	187	175	264	111	282	208	**207**		−0.5	
Plymouth			51	22	31	22	24	28	28	31	32	**17**		−46.9	
Pontiac			111	64	116	99	126	185	115	184	153	**162**		5.9	
Renault			0	5	3	0	0	0	1	10	13	**13**			
Toyota			310	146	218	234	241	256	283	330	287	**246**		−14.3	
Volkswagen			29	13	29	26	24	23	7	15	18	**11**		−38.9	
Volvo			45	18	39	49	38	54	23	84	49	**41**		−16.3	
Others			94	42	77	97	82	129	138	128	110	**114**		3.6	
Total			2,022	1,004	1,502	1,623	1,534	2,150	1,577	2,222	1,882	**1,782**		−5.3	
NEW TRUCK SALES															
Chevrolet			177	79	132	160	148	242	194	204	184	**191**		3.8	
Datsun			23	15	19	25	22	35	22	62	32	**35**		9.4	
Dodge			86	61	105	150	115	143	60	119	128	**82**		−35.9	
Ford			315	131	189	248	235	285	261	305	266	**210**		−21.1	
GMC			53	37	38	47	35	45	34	38	22	**39**		77.3	
Mazda			13	8	17	12	6	23	18	31	18	**34**		88.9	
Toyota			142	71	106	139	147	251	202	293	282	**283**		0.4	
Others			64	38	58	49	51	48	52	56	40	**44**		10.0	
Total			873	440	664	830	759	1,076	843	1,108	972	**918**		−5.6	

Economic Indicators: LOUISIANA METROPOLITAN AREAS

LAFAYETTE AREA

	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Oct 83	Growth Rate: Latest Month: Same Month Prior Year	Growth Rate: Latest Month: Prior Month	Growth Rate: Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS									
Total Civilian Labor Force (000)	100.3	102.2	102.2	101.8	101.5	**103.1**	**1.3**	**1.4**	**3.3**
Total Employed (000)	92.0	93.2	93.3	93.0	92.9	**94.9**	**-0.5**	**2.2**	**0.2**
Total Unemployed (000)	8.3	9.0	8.9	8.8	8.6	**8.2**	**28.1**	**-4.7**	**64.8**
Unemployment Rate	8.3	8.8	8.7	8.7	8.5	**7.9**	**25.4**	**-7.1**	**59.9**
CONSTRUCTION									
Highway Construction Contracts ($ Million)			13.74	13.22	13.80	**14.50**		**5.1**	
Value of Construction Contracts ($ Million)									
Residential	7.2	14.6	20.2	14.1	9.5		**-65.6**	**-32.6**	**4.2**
Nonresidential	10	3	9	1	2		**-77.5**	**77.8**	**-68.6**
Number Of Construction Contracts	150	336	579	296	191		**19.4**	**-35.3**	**25.3**
GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY									
Airline Cargo (Tons)	27	32	27	23	23	**25**	**13.6**	**8.7**	**-18.3**
Airline Passenger Boardings (000)	10.2	10.0	9.0	9.0	8.0	**8.0**	**-14.9**	**0.0**	**-11.6**
Telephones In Service (000)	139.5	138.7	137.5	136.1	135.0	**133.8**	**-6.8**	**-0.9**	**-2.2**
Total Mortgage Loans Closed ($ Million)	7.0	7.0	6.7	4.6	9.5	**3.9**	**25.8**	**-58.9**	**190.0**
REVENUE COLLECTIONS									
Retail Sales Tax – State	2,798,632	2,992,100	3,607,072	2,798,825	3,076,374	**3,183,319**	**-8.0**	**3.5**	**-22.6**

NEW CARS & TRUCK SALES

	Nov 82	Dec 82	Jan 83	Feb 83	Mar 83	Apr 83	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Oct 83	Same Month Prior Year	Prior Month	Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
NEW CAR SALES															
Buick			39	23	47	43	42	55	34	50	58	**39**		**-32.8**	
Cadillac			30	19	43	24	26	28	33	29	36	**26**		**-27.8**	
Chevrolet			35	44	75	58	79	74	56	92	71	**67**		**-5.6**	
Chrysler			21	13	31	25	16	31	26	19	23	**24**		**4.3**	
Datsun			52	40	50	68	53	59	49	77	66	**63**		**-4.5**	
Dodge			14	24	9	13	14	11	15	23	16	**13**		**-18.8**	
Ford			101	47	81	60	108	75	76	72	40	**85**		**112.5**	
Honda			2	17	19	17	9	18	23	20	22	**19**		**-13.6**	
Lincoln			14	14	7	20	10	10	15	20	26	**14**		**-46.2**	
Mazda			19	19	50	24	14	36	22	35	22	**31**		**40.9**	
Mercury			23	30	12	30	31	31	29	22	26	**22**		**-15.4**	
Oldsmobile			59	41	59	50	59	67	37	66	56	**71**		**26.8**	
Plymouth			5	5	12	5	8	6	5	8	7	**6**		**-14.3**	
Pontiac			15	25	26	37	37	35	47	35	43	**43**		**0.0**	
Toyota			30	20	48	22	27	29	28	25	23	**32**		**39.1**	
Volkswagen			10	5	9	14	8	14	10	10	11	**4**		**-63.6**	
Volvo			10	6	10	9	13	14	15	15	12	**10**		**-16.7**	
Others			30	43	54	45	37	45	46	41	45	**28**		**-37.8**	
Total			509	435	642	564	591	638	566	659	603	**597**		**-1.0**	
NEW TRUCK SALES															
Chevrolet			52	48	95	80	105	91	86	91	91	**126**		**38.5**	
Datsun			13	7	13	18	17	23	23	23	22	**19**		**-13.6**	
Dodge			28	15	45	26	33	37	18	24	23	**34**		**47.8**	
Ford			95	54	69	57	83	78	52	76	84	**90**		**7.1**	
Mazda			20	9	20	6	8	18	12	17	15	**18**		**20.0**	
Toyota			20	12	10	13	9	13	9	8	22	**13**		**-40.9**	
Others			3	6	12	17	3	10	3	6	4	**1**		**-75.0**	
Total			231	151	264	217	258	270	203	245	261	**301**		**15.3**	

ALEXANDRIA AREA

	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Oct 83	Growth Rate		
							Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
							Same Month Prior Year	Prior Month	
EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS									
Total Civilian Labor Force (000)	74.5	75.6	75.8	76.6	78.3	**78.1**	2.6	-0.3	2.3
Total Employed (000)	65.3	65.9	66.6	67.7	69.8	**70.3**	4.9	0.7	1.7
Total Unemployed (000)	9.2	9.7	9.2	8.9	8.5	**7.8**	-14.3	-8.2	8.4
Unemployment Rate	12.3	12.8	12.2	11.7	10.9	**10.0**	-16.7	-8.3	5.9
CONSTRUCTION									
Highway Construction Contracts ($ Million)			61.60	59.80	60.48	**71.77**		18.7	
Value of Construction Contracts ($ Million)									
Residential	4.8	12.1	6.8	5.0	4.3		19.4	-14.0	49.0
Nonresidential	3.4	5.2	0.2	1.5	1.8		-21.7	20.0	51.0
Number Of Construction Contracts	82	179	119	81	66		6.5	-18.5	38.7
GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY									
Airline Cargo (Tons)	36	36	36	43	30	**54**	8.0	80.0	-10.2
Airline Passenger Boardings (000)	5.2	5.5	4.1	2.5	4.4	**4.4**	12.8	0.0	-6.8
Newspaper Advertising Lineage	2,057,202	1,860,516	1,803,270	2,035,068	1,813,266	**2,307,970**	15.4	27.3	5.6
Telephones In Service (000)	81.2	80.5	80.2	79.8	79.1	**78.4**	-4.5	-0.9	-1.9
Total Mortgage Loans Closed ($ Million)	0.4	1.7	0.8	1.0	0.7	**0.6**	20.0	-14.3	68.5
REVENUE COLLECTIONS									
Retail Sales Tax – State	1,076,449	1,141,617	1,318,777	1,238,876	1,199,224	**1,276,153**	16.8	6.4	10.9

NEW CARS & TRUCK SALES

	Nov 82	Dec 82	Jan 83	Feb 83	Mar 83	Apr 83	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Oct 83			
NEW CAR SALES															
Buick			40	18	28	35	33	40	22	43	38	**32**		-15.8	
Cadillac			12	10	14	21	11	16	13	10	10	**7**		-30.0	
Chevrolet			53	22	49	36	54	71	38	41	35	**49**		40.0	
Chrysler			7	1	4	6	7	4	12	10	6	**5**		-16.7	
Datsun			23	11	27	29	36	26	17	26	33	**23**		-30.3	
Dodge			18	5	8	7	8	9	7	7	5	**5**			
Ford			72	22	28	50	48	70	41	56	39	**59**		51.3	
Honda			20	6	10	7	13	14	12	23	14	**16**		14.3	
Lincoln			13	2	14	2	14	12	8	10	13	**7**		-46.2	
Mazda			15	9	10	20	24	16	15	12	18	**17**		-5.6	
Mercury			9	5	3	9	6	11	3	7	13	**12**		-7.7	
Oldsmobile			90	25	72	75	72	92	96	129	74	**64**		-13.5	
Plymouth			4	3	7	4	2	1	2	14	9	**5**		-44.4	
Pontiac			24	21	27	17	43	44	30	35	39	**43**		10.3	
Renault			1	0	1	1	0	2	2	5	0	**2**			
Toyota			25	15	14	15	24	22	15	26	11	**18**		63.6	
Volkswagen			1	0	1	3	2	0	0	0	3	**1**		-66.7	
Others			23	10	16	18	33	31	12	27	11	**32**		190.9	
Total			450	185	333	355	430	481	345	481	371	**397**		7.0	
NEW TRUCK SALES															
Chevrolet			57	31	55	56	57	65	57	47	46	**66**		43.5	
Datsun			15	3	6	14	6	7	13	11	8	**12**		50.0	
Dodge			35	8	24	20	15	18	18	27	16	**17**		6.3	
Ford			127	60	74	81	90	95	59	82	75	**109**		45.3	
GMC			29	9	18	12	13	13	14	15	14	**16**		14.3	
Mazda			11	3	8	12	6	7	8	20	7	**16**		128.6	
Toyota			12	9	8	9	17	16	10	14	7	**8**		14.3	
Others			14	4	19	18	15	21	9	13	14	**22**		57.1	
Total			300	127	212	222	219	242	188	229	187	**266**		42.2	

LAKE CHARLES AREA

	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	**Oct 83**	Growth Rate		
							Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
							Same Month Prior Year	**Prior Month**	
EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS									
Total Civilian Labor Force (000)	74.0	74.9	75.9	76.7	77.2	**77.2**	0.7	0.0	−4.2
Total Employed (000)	62.9	63.3	64.3	64.9	65.0	**65.8**	0.8	1.2	−6.3
Total Unemployed (000)	11.1	11.6	11.6	11.8	12.2	**11.4**	0.0	−6.6	9.7
Unemployment Rate	15.0	15.5	15.3	15.3	15.8	**14.8**	−0.7	−6.3	14.1
CONSTRUCTION									
Highway Construction Contracts ($ Million)			9.26	9.45	15.44	**15.16**		−1.8	
Value of Construction Contracts ($ Million)									
Residential	3.5	3.0	5.6	3.7	2.8		−9.7	−24.3	−6.2
Nonresidential	1.3	3.5	1.3	4.1	1.2		−99.7	−70.7	−91.9
Number Of Construction Contracts	150	72	71	125	49		−33.8	−60.8	−4.1
GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY									
Airline Cargo (Tons)	5.3	7.0	8.0	6.4	7.3	**8.3**	3.7	13.7	−13.9
Airline Passenger Boardings (000)	3.1	3.2	3.1	3.3	3.2	**3.2**	−3.0	0.0	−14.7
Newspaper Advertising Lineage	2,335,403	2,185,589	2,153,231	2,175,194			1.8	1.0	3.2
Ocean Shipments (000 (Tons))	1164.7	1359.0	1451.0	1169.0	1419.0	**1535.0**	40.4	8.2	9.2
Telephones In Service (000)	115.7	115.1	114.1	113.4	111.6	**110.4**	−6.9	−1.1	−3.5
Total Mortgage Loans Closed ($ Million)	14.9	6.9	9.3	16.7	15.9	**9.1**	35.8	−42.8	72.6
REVENUE COLLECTIONS									
Retail Sales Tax − State	1,785,692	1,854,491	2,246,583	1,865,135	1,950,891	**1,982,454**	13.9	1.6	−1.6

NEW CARS & TRUCK SALES

	Nov 82	Dec 82	Jan 83	Feb 83	Mar 83	Apr 83	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	**Oct 83**			
NEW CAR SALES															
Buick			29	33	55	43	48	49	42	41	54	**47**		−13.0	
Cadillac			15	8	12	19	14	17	11	9	15	**5**		−66.7	
Chevrolet			74	50	74	75	94	95	70	75	86	**78**		−9.3	
Datsun			43	28	37	48	50	58	46	58	46	**50**		8.7	
Ford			75	62	81	47	61	66	61	54	46	**63**		37.0	
Honda			7	7	9	11	10	11	13	18	13	**17**		30.8	
Lincoln			14	10	13	11	10	1	12	11	26	**18**		−30.8	
Mazda			6	8	15	6	8	6	4	9	9	**13**		44.4	
Mercury			29	19	32	21	22	26	28	13	24	**28**		16.7	
Oldsmobile			43	56	89	65	75	84	71	72	89	**80**		−10.1	
Pontiac			34	22	20	44	52	50	82	61	62	**67**		8.1	
Renault			2	5	6	5	4	4	2	2	4	**3**		−25.0	
Toyota			13	16	33	12	23	23	19	31	20	**11**		−45.0	
Others			14	12	16	19	16	7	11	8	16	**7**		−56.3	
Total			398	336	492	426	487	497	472	462	510	**487**		−4.5	
NEW TRUCK SALES															
Chevrolet			58	60	91	76	81	89	82	95	86	**93**		8.1	
Datsun			9	8	14	12	10	24	27	23	19	**22**		15.8	
Ford			80	71	90	81	80	85	81	91	76	**91**		19.7	
GMC			39	29	61	39	67	55	66	61	41	**90**		119.5	
Mazda			4	4	1	4	3	4	2	6	4	**4**			
Toyota			12	6	4	3	10	11	10	14	8	**8**			
Others			10	10	12	15	10	9	12	11	18	**15**		−16.7	
Total			212	188	273	230	261	277	280	301	252	**323**		28.2	

Economic Indicators: LOUISIANA METROPOLITAN AREA

SHREVEPORT AREA

	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Oct 83	Growth Rate		
							Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
							Same Month Prior Year	Prior Month	
EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS									
Total Civilian Labor Force (000)	161.6	167.4	166.1	167.4	170.0	**171.2**	3.0	0.7	0.7
Total Employed (000)	141.7	144.6	146.1	148.1	151.0	**153.1**	3.4	1.4	−2.
Total Unemployed (000)	19.9	20.9	20.0	19.3	19.0	**18.1**	0.0	−4.7	31.
Unemployment Rate	12.3	12.5	12.1	11.5	11.2	**10.6**	−2.8	−5.4	31.
Average Weekly Manufacturing Earnings	369.57	372.53	389.42	371.94	382.97	**358.66**	10.0	−6.3	10.
Average Weekly Manufacturing Hours	39.4	39.8	39.9	39.4	39.4	**38.4**	−1.5	−2.5	0.
CONSTRUCTION									
Highway Construction Contracts ($ Million)			78.15	100.73	100.73	**97.89**		−2.8	
Value of Construction Contracts ($ Million)									
Residential	9.4	13.4	22.5	14.8	9.8		32.4	−33.8	78.
Nonresidential	16.8	10.0	5.5	7.9	3.3		−74.4	−58.2	29.
Number Of Construction Contracts	193	279	723	238	190		−53.2	−20.2	52.
GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY									
Airline Cargo (Tons)	683	658	688	1,076	933	**893**	30.4	−4.3	12.
Airline Passenger Boardings (000)	36.9	36.0	34.0	32.0	28.0	**28.0**	−7.6	0.0	0.
Newspaper Advertising Linage	4,683,015	4,266,682	5,243,025	4,588,473	4,485,273	**6,351,947**	6.8	41.6	−5.
Telephones In Service (000)	251.4	241.8	239.9	245.2	243.4	**241.1**	−7.1	−0.9	−4.
Total Mortgage Loans Closed ($ Million)	12.7	10.7	6.3	5.4	5.5	**12.8**	1460.0	132.7	1536.
REVENUE COLLECTIONS									
Retail Sales Tax − State	4,102,686	4,374,886	4,676,096	4,335,013	4,620,488	**4,633,007**	4.3	0.3	−3.

NEW CARS & TRUCK SALES

	Nov 82	Dec 82	Jan 83	Feb 83	Mar 83	Apr 83	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Oct 83	Same Month Prior Year	Prior Month	Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
NEW CAR SALES															
Buick			73	53	82	74	79	91	93	119	76	**105**		38.2	
Cadillac			37	36	42	63	40	65	50	39	58	**47**		−19.0	
Chevrolet			160	114	193	152	174	165	125	177	137	**162**		18.2	
Chrysler			20	27	32	39	53	45	40	54	37	**29**		−21.6	
Datsun			44	43	62	54	38	51	41	56	42	**24**		−42.9	
Dodge			45	21	36	38	46	36	32	28	39	**20**		−48.7	
Ford			243	107	212	167	124	122	101	147	131	**404**		208.4	
Honda			11	20	20	28	28	30	16	41	26	**16**		−38.5	
Lincoln			19	33	28	30	35	33	34	47	27	**34**		25.9	
Mazda			20	11	34	16	31	29	28	27	28	**25**		−10.7	
Mercury			44	53	76	62	67	63	59	73	46	**103**		123.9	
Oldsmobile			129	116	176	172	171	201	137	193	200	**175**		−12.5	
Plymouth			15	8	16	20	18	15	18	16	9	**15**		66.7	
Pontiac			45	39	60	82	67	104	85	93	86	**121**		40.7	
Renault			5	5	12	9	5	10	15	23	21	**15**		−28.6	
Toyota			37	46	61	46	62	62	72	64	44	**60**		36.4	
Volkswagen			6	1	5	8	6	7	6	12	6	**5**		−16.7	
Volvo			2	1	7	6	10	6	12	12	8	**5**		−37.5	
Others			50	27	69	60	69	58	64	61	49	**47**		−4.1	
Total			1,005	761	1,223	1,126	1,123	1,193	1,028	1,282	1,070	**1,412**		32.0	
NEW TRUCK SALES															
Chevrolet			129	86	161	154	140	244	148	170	141	**163**		15.6	
Datsun			6	4	18	13	13	12	6	17	13	**11**		−15.4	
Dodge			33	22	48	52	47	54	44	52	44	**44**			
Ford			202	99	134	184	145	160	152	145	113	**143**		26.5	
GMC			14	9	31	24	18	28	24	24	18	**22**		22.2	
Mazda			13	7	12	16	16	15	19	13	8	**5**		−37.5	
Toyota			8	12	24	10	25	10	15	17	24	**11**		−54.2	
Others			31	12	34	53	26	40	41	48	52	**42**		−19.2	
Total			436	251	462	506	430	563	449	486	413	**441**		6.8	

Economic Indicators: LOUISIANA METROPOLITAN AREAS

MONROE

	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Oct 83	Growth Rate		
							Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
							Same Month Prior Year	Prior Month	
EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS									
Total Civilian Labor Force (000)	57.7	57.9	58.5	58.4	58.4	**57.9**	**−0.9**	**−0.9**	**1.2**
Total Employed (000)	51.1	51.0	51.7	51.8	51.8	**51.6**	**0.4**	**−0.4**	**0.9**
Total Unemployed (000)	6.6	6.9	6.8	6.6	6.6	**6.3**	**−10.0**	**−4.5**	**3.8**
Unemployment Rate	11.5	12.0	11.6	11.3	11.3	**10.8**	**−10.0**	**−4.4**	**2.9**
CONSTRUCTION									
Highway Construction Contracts ($ Million)			13.46	13.04	13.30	**12.62**		**−5.1**	
Value of Construction Contracts ($ Million)									
Residential	4.0	4.7	2.5	7.1	3.3		**37.5**	**−53.5**	**−43.7**
Nonresidential	0.2	4.2	32.1	1.8	3.2		**52.4**	**77.8**	**−2.7**
Number Of Construction Contracts	72	93	42	100	75		**50.0**	**−25.0**	**22.4**
GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY									
Airline Cargo (Tons)	23	18	17	20	19	**25**	**38.9**	**31.6**	**−24.6**
Airline Passenger Boardings (000)	8.0	9.0	9.0	8.0	7.0	**8.0**	**33.3**	**14.3**	**3.6**
Telephones In Service (000)	115.7	115.4	114.7	114.0	113.0	**111.9**	**−4.7**	**−1.0**	**−2.5**
Total Mortgage Loans Closed ($ Million)	9.7	12.1	10.9	16.1	8.6	**8.2**	**67.3**	**−4.7**	**155.0**
REVENUE COLLECTIONS									
Retail Sales Tax – State	1,902,212	1,884,673	2,133,021	2,040,891	2,255,276	**2,097,156**	**5.0**	**−7.0**	**5.5**

NEW CARS & TRUCK SALES

	Nov 82	Dec 82	Jan 83	Feb 83	Mar 83	Apr 83	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Oct 83	Same Month Prior Year	Prior Month	Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
NEW CAR SALES															
Buick			36	36	49	62	66	76	60	79	45	**62**		**37.8**	
Cadillac			10	9	20	20	25	21	21	20	13	**19**		**46.2**	
Chevrolet			54	23	49	64	48	70	58	60	47	**47**			
Chrysler			10	5	18	12	12	14	8	12	8	**6**		**−25.0**	
Datsun			20	18	34	32	16	54	26	30	21	**39**		**85.7**	
Dodge			15	4	8	6	3	7	8	3	4	**5**		**25.0**	
Ford			74	25	62	46	20	55	37	40	37	**53**		**43.2**	
Honda			9	10	17	30	21	26	17	19	18	**25**		**38.9**	
Lincoln			17	14	7	6	13	13	15	19	19	**20**		**5.3**	
Mazda			21	10	26	15	18	30	17	27	35	**23**		**−34.3**	
Mercury			28	8	26	26	20	31	26	34	26	**24**		**−7.7**	
Oldsmobile			83	43	83	87	73	105	62	78	93	**87**		**−6.5**	
Plymouth			8	2	3	2	2	4	2	2	0	**3**			
Pontiac			25	7	15	27	22	15	18	20	20	**31**		**55.0**	
Renault			5	9	4	3	4	11	8	5	3	**4**		**33.3**	
Toyota			15	14	23	27	18	24	23	25	21	**19**		**−9.5**	
Volkswagen			1	0	2	5	0	3	1	4	1	**0**		**−75.0**	
Volvo			6	3	6	4	10	4	7	8	5	**9**		**80.0**	
Others			15	9	15	5	9	17	9	9	7	**9**		**28.6**	
Total			452	249	467	479	410	580	424	494	423	**485**		**14.7**	
NEW TRUCK SALES															
Chevrolet			71	24	71	82	66	75	72	71	52	**75**		**44.2**	
Datsun			3	4	6	7	8	11	10	17	18	**13**		**−27.8**	
Dodge			19	5	14	11	9	8	7	6	3	**16**		**433.3**	
Ford			81	44	58	70	63	83	38	49	63	**61**		**−3.2**	
GMC			24	15	20	40	30	33	46	34	25	**27**		**8.0**	
Mazda			13	11	20	31	16	22	11	31	23	**14**		**−39.1**	
Toyota			17	10	15	7	10	14	11	14	14	**13**		**−7.1**	
Others			25	8	19	24	12	35	15	29	19	**16**		**−15.8**	

HOUMA/THIBODAUX AREA

	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Oct 83	Growth Rate: Latest Month: Same Month Prior Year	Growth Rate: Latest Month: Prior Month	Growth Rate: Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY									
Highway Construction Contracts ($ Million)			12.73	15.69	15.69	**20.61**		**31.4**	
Newspaper Advertising Linage									
Telephones In Service (000)	79.3	78.7	78.0	77.3	76.7	**76.2**		**−0.7**	
REVENUE COLLECTIONS									
Retail Sales Tax – State	1,316,135	1,345,279	1,428,035	1,326,253	1,407,548	**1,487,782**	**−4.5**	**5.7**	**−10.8**

NEW CARS & TRUCK SALES

	Nov 82	Dec 82	Jan 83	Feb 83	Mar 83	Apr 83	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Oct 83	Same Month Prior Year	Prior Month	Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
NEW CAR SALES															
Buick			61	28	43	65	68	56	52	53	43	**48**		**11.6**	
Cadillac			14	15	15	13	11	19	13	7	11	**11**			
Chevrolet			60	32	43	54	72	70	58	58	50	**83**		**66.0**	
Chrysler			8	12	16	13	11	19	16	10	18	**7**		**−61.1**	
Datsun			28	29	35	44	27	36	36	30	36	**17**		**−52.8**	
Dodge			18	8	134	21	53	33	80	13	11	**30**		**172.7**	
Ford			58	24	46	37	55	59	42	31	47	**46**		**−2.1**	
Honda			10	13	5	13	15	19	17	10	13	**13**			
Lincoln			12	7	10	6	11	11	8	11	11	**6**		**−45.5**	
Mazda			11	2	7	7	4	3	6	7	6	**4**		**−33.3**	
Mercury			26	17	26	21	19	30	24	18	18	**29**		**61.1**	
Oldsmobile			58	53	66	65	54	79	44	86	54	**63**		**16.7**	
Plymouth			8	4	9	10	11	10	7	12	9	**9**			
Pontiac			39	15	44	26	34	60	25	29	32	**25**		**−21.9**	
Renault			0	2	3	2	0	1	1	0	3	**3**			
Toyota			17	12	28	16	18	26	22	26	16	**22**		**37.5**	
Others			1	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	**8**			
Total			429	273	530	414	464	532	451	401	378	**424**		**12.2**	
NEW TRUCK SALES															
Chevrolet			70	25	55	64	54	44	76	60	48	**59**		**22.9**	
Datsun			18	15	10	11	16	17	18	16	22	**15**		**−31.8**	
Dodge			29	25	54	46	72	58	43	46	47	**36**		**−23.4**	
Ford			69	37	39	74	82	71	59	57	73	**63**		**−13.7**	
GMC			36	27	33	34	32	35	34	27	21	**21**			
Mazda			3	2	3	1	1	3	2	2	0	**6**			
Toyota			8	5	10	5	5	6	5	9	6	**3**		**−50.0**	
Others			6	4	1	1	1	8	10	9	12	**13**		**8.3**	
Total			239	140	205	236	263	242	247	226	229	**216**		**−5.7**	

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SCHOOL BOARDS

							Growth Rate		
							Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	**Oct 83**	Same Month Prior Year	**Prior Month**	
Acadia Parish	265,784	240,745	291,097	254,638	204,942	**309,343**	20.4	50.9	-14.3
Allen Parish	72,491	75,055	78,494	66,410	89,781	**80,283**	9.3	-10.6	4.1
Ascension Parish	632,446	664,913	778,069	734,813	827,726	**883,931**	22.9	6.8	-11.0
Assumption Parish	195,525	196,704	237,737	195,515	247,290	**210,347**	-2.2	-14.9	22.6
Avoyelles Parish	194,583	200,837	198,565	171,019	221,522	**214,377**	1.8	-3.2	-1.9
Beauregard Parish	140,018	156,305	178,177	160,663	172,055	**160,057**	24.5	-7.0	9.6
Bienville Parish	61,410	69,274	81,390	54,706	286,742	**75,421**	-2.1	-73.7	10.6
Bogalusa/Washington Parish	79,173	90,659	93,891				-3.2	3.6	-7.6
Bossier Parish	624,651	666,875	774,230	563,024	861,021	**742,371**	4.1	-13.8	3.4
Caddo Parish	1,597,371	1,656,244	1,759,587	1,461,574	2,049,943	**1,748,308**	0.8	-14.7	-2.4
Calcasieu Parish	1,159,450	1,591,505	1,337,280	1,319,102	1,280,037	**1,272,840**	-6.4	-0.6	-6.6
Caldwell Parish	37,043	38,283	45,655	29,523	52,744	**39,905**	-6.2	-24.3	14.9
Catahoula Parish	39,277	46,357	51,175	39,990	56,626	**55,061**	11.2	-2.8	-29.0
Claiborne Parish	56,078	91,980	73,371	91,355	89,032	**96,285**	39.5	8.1	-8.1
Concordia Parish	99,853	101,671	119,980	105,623	117,723	**128,030**	21.3	8.8	7.9
Desoto Parish	221,932	186,428	215,976	156,819	226,043	**179,504**	32.2	-20.6	-15.9
East Baton Rouge Parish	2,763,347	2,869,397	2,812,077	2,978,455	2,806,706	**2,854,178**	8.5	1.7	4.2
East Carroll Parish	35,411	36,912	39,200	38,698	42,840	**42,913**	24.9	0.2	-0.2
East Feliciana Parish	120,574	123,097	169,509	81,078	172,454	**166,034**	-8.0	-3.7	-0.9
Evangeline Parish	105,490	121,065	133,770	87,674	137,091	**129,384**	-4.2	-5.6	-3.3
Franklin Parish	115,254	115,262	130,315	95,100	118,928	**141,902**	33.4	19.3	1.6
Grant Parish	30,391	34,298	41,461	34,973	37,895	**35,759**	-7.6	-5.6	2.2
Iberia Parish	489,000	541,841	506,134	469,753	522,297	**497,677**	-16.8	-4.7	-21.6
Iberville Parish	272,525	297,788	324,605	300,349	305,099	**303,088**	-17.5	-0.7	-11.2
Jackson Parish	115,926	139,240	152,595	103,529	246,153	**147,240**	-19.0	-40.2	46.2
Jefferson-Davis Parish	248,264	199,026	206,757	142,636	194,921	**211,951**	31.1	8.7	-19.7
Lafayette Parish	1,365,230	1,426,843	1,446,427	1,336,186	1,436,786	**1,423,906**	-8.3	-0.9	-18.4
Lafourche Parish	484,174	459,701	490,135	459,784	557,657	**499,478**	11.6	-10.4	-3.7
Lasalle Parish	69,685	86,287	86,287	58,658	99,869	**98,514**	31.8	-1.4	-9.5
Lincoln Parish	157,706	188,637	184,882	147,961	222,620	**197,000**	-5.1	-11.5	1.8
Livingston Parish	450,218	520,642	585,612	402,584	496,616	**552,827**	30.1	11.3	7.9
Madison Parish									
Monroe School Board	152,145	144,433	160,470	161,956	168,617	**176,793**	23.1	4.8	10.1
Morehouse Parish	112,273	123,552	131,167	126,106	144,342	**250,324**	112.3	73.4	9.0
Natchitoches Parish	165,993	182,522	215,922	137,423	223,696	**188,187**	14.5	-15.9	7.7
Orleans Parish	4,364,575	4,668,625	3,431,855	4,330,316	4,692,289	**4,024,116**	-0.1	-14.2	
Ouachita Parish	248,237	235,654	261,820	264,244	275,112	**288,451**	23.1	4.8	10.1
Plaquemine Parish	361,728	265,610	334,742	262,180	308,040	**291,323**	-7.8	-5.4	[illegible]
Pointe Coupee Parish	89,182	188,946	121,718	86,845	236,811	**104,442**	-41.1	-55.9	-36.1
Red River Parish	27,975	25,904	43,621	24,767	33,959	**44,976**	3.1	32.4	-14.6
Richland Parish	113,464	121,992	128,748	99,186	147,928	**140,277**	-15.7	-5.2	8.9
Sabine Parish	96,308	101,191	123,265	79,521	130,622	**108,473**	-5.1	-17.0	10.5
St. Bernard Parish	501,029	804,993	560,062	676,604	633,517	**631,147**	44.7	-0.4	16.2
St. Charles Parish	824,533	718,667	869,492	515,887	761,009	**784,582**	-13.3	3.1	-25.3
St. Helena Parish	27,886	23,774	39,507	16,156	41,228	**36,978**	18.1	-10.3	9.6
St. James Parish	504,909	327,525	1,872,149	423,172	618,610	**455,133**	8.1	-26.4	75.4
St. John Parish	422,504	397,384	452,985	299,664	565,827	**465,820**	-10.0	-17.7	1.9
St. Landry Parish	355,875	351,666	413,590	302,669	388,480	**369,316**	-13.9	-4.9	-14.0
St. Martin Parish	169,265	200,205	190,765	183,138	192,557	**209,700**	-4.2	8.9	-14.8
St. Mary Parish	384,204	405,454	467,904	345,594	493,044	**413,615**	-14.9	-16.1	-28.0
St. Tammany Parish	1,451,174	1,301,052	1,429,302	1,037,815	1,320,159	**1,438,432**	26.0	9.0	17.0
Tangipahoa Parish	329,117	402,712	460,034	330,601	489,246	**394,373**	-6.8	-19.4	4.2
Tensas Parish	25,269	31,444	26,145	22,638	32,804	**33,237**	16.7	1.3	-1.4
Terrebonne Parish	556,381	581,664	552,121	475,276	604,028	**563,091**	-4.5	-6.8	-22.0
Union Parish	63,532	68,495	74,882	49,975	78,746	**77,117**	10.6	-2.1	1.9
Vermillion Parish	300,241	392,796	392,087	301,590	385,316	**500,880**	16.9	30.0	-11.2
Vernon Parish	158,344	148,305	165,084	169,841	160,734	**155,042**	20.8	-3.5	14.9
Washington Parish	118,378	141,225	120,118	98,336	189,266	**139,433**	7.2	-26.3	-0.4
Webster Parish	186,142	150,000	257,967	193,963	204,706	**221,442**	14.9	8.2	-1.1
West Baton Rouge Parish	116,251	119,097	113,963	109,785	110,876	**119,850**	-7.9	8.1	-13.3
West Carroll Parish	43,350	46,886	45,236	37,739	50,996	**43,878**	-8.3	-14.0	-4.9
West Feliciana Parish	359,201	214,852	358,104	222,382	192,033	**240,975**	-74.4	25.5	20.7
Winn Parish	67,793	73,521	81,447	62,342	104,661	**81,946**	12.8	-31.7	11.9

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	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	**Oct 83**	Growth Rate Latest Month Same Month Prior Year	Growth Rate Latest Month **Prior Month**	Growth Rate Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
Abbeville	80,516	80,518	87,795	81,274	87,151	**85,311**	−3.8	−2.1	−3.7
Abita Springs	2,830	2,040	4,033	2,533	3,400	**3,399**	79.2	−0.0	37.4
Acadia Parish Police Jury	219,765	227,955	246,071	202,290	287,410			42.1	
Albany	2,727	2,663	3,008	2,686	2,833	**2,638**	5.1	−6.9	2.2
Alexandria	397,094	405,500	444,082	392,264	490,334	**441,562**	15.0	−9.9	10.5
Amite City	66,608	63,563	75,091	57,637	74,878	**72,689**	7.8	−2.9	17.5
Arcadia	16,796	18,475	18,950	16,143	21,987	**19,650**	−6.1	−10.6	3.8
Arnaudville	14,427	14,178	16,199	12,332	15,006	**15,057**	9.2	0.3	39.9
Ascension Parish Police Jury	175,556	199,269	241,039	170,314	276,892	**298,102**	21.9	7.7	−22.4
Assumption	102,837	99,018	156,429	104,720	134,061	**106,704**	−6.7	−20.4	6.1
Baker	111,660	128,420	114,799	137,936	140,217	**112,297**	−10.5	−19.9	20.6
Basile	8,333	7,416	9,472	7,017	8,730	**9,190**	−5.1	5.3	−5.6
Bastrop	104,062	107,118	111,924	97,811	130,508	**215,916**	145.5	65.4	19.5
Bernice	6,637	6,073	7,536	8,328	6,386	**7,186**	−5.7	12.5	18.3
Bogalusa	226,384	245,014	229,670	216,139	277,845	**242,933**	8.6	−12.6	29.5
Bossier City	505,270	524,650	562,708	563,757	563,395	**561,641**	5.0	−0.3	48.6
Breaux Bridge	38,347	40,258	39,828	36,471	40,130	**39,015**	−0.6	−2.8	6.0
Broussard	21,515	41,083	22,856	17,294	43,094	**24,935**	−13.2	−42.1	−29.4
Bunkie	44,623	43,085	49,032	42,870	47,464	**43,639**	−2.9	−8.1	4.7
Caldwell	37,043	38,283	45,655	29,523	52,744	**39,905**	−6.2	−24.3	15.1
Cankton	1,071	677	619	648	804	**641**	−9.3	−20.3	−20.4
Carencro	34,605	32,590	33,908	33,422	30,486	**28,667**	−3.6	−6.0	−5.0
Catahoula Parish Police Jury	67,085	68,294	70,337	71,149	67,655	**80,379**	3.5	18.8	−6.7
Church Point	19,586	17,428	19,084	18,251	14,344	**19,060**	3.4	32.9	−9.0
Colfax	13,157	12,661	13,767	14,184	12,391	**13,458**	73.8	8.6	83.4
Columbia	9,024	7,808	8,541	7,244	9,170	**9,329**	43.0	1.7	
Concordia	36,542	46,781	50,489	38,762	55,369	**58,005**	39.7	4.8	5.2
Cottonport	7,398	6,371	7,207	6,526	7,318	**7,700**	31.9	5.2	3.3
Cotton Valley	5,232	2,185	2,583	2,359	2,324	**2,545**	−36.9	9.5	3.0
Coushatta	14,683	16,637	24,200	16,403	19,638	**19,139**	12.1	−2.5	−7.4
Covington	138,421	133,923	147,115	130,407	151,890	**165,732**	122.6	9.1	95.3
Crowley	185,824	167,048	162,214	172,642	150,279	**187,536**	3.5	24.8	11.8
Cullen	3,439	2,810	3,635	2,725	4,753	**2,728**	−17.4	−42.6	1.7
Delcambre	6,445	7,837	7,995	7,130	8,670	**8,712**	4.7	0.5	−16.7
Delhi	9,349	8,742	9,193	9,616	8,621	**8,961**	−6.5	3.9	14.6
Denham Springs	91,216	93,726	101,077	100,643	106,348	**105,498**	18.8	−0.8	11.5
Dequincy	20,522	18,807	22,223	19,447	22,270	**18,873**	−21.6	−15.3	−9.0
DeRidder	69,822	72,364	79,028	69,198	77,791	**75,479**	24.2	−3.0	2.8
Dixie Inn	5,083	5,820	4,803	5,302	5,529	**4,925**	8.3	−10.9	3.8
Donaldsonville	54,459	55,257	68,119	57,962	69,124	**63,594**	63.8	−8.0	33.7
Dubach	2,501	1,884	1,557	1,557	2,211	**2,159**	16.5	−2.4	
Duson	13,243	25,396	19,546	14,311	15,317	**15,523**	79.5	1.3	48.0
EBR City/Parish	4,936,141	5,573,226	5,476,354	5,365,017	5,684,265	**5,347,685**	5.4	−5.9	3.5
Elizabeth	1,044	1,230	1,030	1,059	2,216	**1,230**	28.5	−44.5	
Elton	3,435	3,391	3,613	2,924	3,547	**4,073**	12.5	14.8	−17.5
Erath	9,162	11,165	10,828	8,524	15,379	**10,048**	3.2	−34.7	−12.0
Estherwood	989	1,005	998	999	804	**1,484**	1.6	84.6	12.9
Eunice	151,215	147,489	175,516	151,628	160,927	**154,242**	−6.8	−4.2	−7.3
Farmerville	21,676	24,627	25,938	22,166	25,946	**29,096**	30.8	12.1	9.9
Ferriday	28,671	28,937	34,794	31,714	30,212	**32,018**	3.2	6.0	−0.9
Folsom	3,740	4,771	2,233	2,958	1,621	**3,446**	26.8	112.6	4.6
Franklinton	41,556	37,034	36,205	31,726	42,924	**38,327**	13.1	−10.7	12.4
Gilbert	1,590	1,153	1,599	1,781	1,642	**1,531**	15.5	−6.8	33.2
Glenmora	3,962	3,753	3,243	3,903	5,226	**4,196**	19.7	−19.7	3.1
Golden Meadow	11,969	9,745	13,680	8,055	12,195	**10,367**	−9.5	−15.0	−10.2
Gonzales 1.00	97,167	97,255	103,848	103,073	114,228	**101,066**	8.8	−11.5	8.8
Grambling 1.00	4,800	4,320	5,446	2,949	6,819	**6,772**		−0.7	
Gramercy	14,661	15,609	14,668	14,532	13,917	**15,215**	−10.0	9.3	
Grand Coteau	2,097	1,999	3,825	2,322	3,572	**2,464**	−4.7	−31.0	5.6
Greensburg	2,626	3,277	2,630	6,158	3,711	**5,306**	110.5	43.0	−1.4
Gueydan	10,059	7,710	7,479	7,013	8,718	**6,942**		−20.4	
Hall Summit	908	193	671	409	485	**757**	22.5	56.1	37.1
Hammond	397,698	423,451	312,282	350,373	384,874	**346,982**	27.5	−9.8	104.7
Haughton	2,380								−5.4

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Haynesville	12,572	14,901	14,537	9,864	16,332	**16,475**	7.0	0.9	−16.9
Henderson	4,544	4,686	4,421	5,541	7,876	**4,445**	11.5	−43.6	−5.9
Homer	21,581	26,690	23,936	21,088	27,365	**22,576**	18.8	−17.5	
Independence	10,092	12,673	10,979	10,595	11,718	**11,717**	19.3	−0.0	30.9
Iota	4,459	3,787	4,240	4,393	3,491	**4,191**	−19.4	20.1	−11.2
Iowa	8,102	8,815	9,966	8,463	9,879	**8,387**	−4.3	−15.1	5.7
Jeanerette	28,671	27,429	30,585	24,120	33,983	**30,506**	−1.0	−10.2	−3.0
Jennings	103,663	91,964	81,642	71,418	97,022	**71,435**	−1.5	−26.4	−11.9
Jonesboro	54,968	59,516	57,927	54,662	61,439	**58,884**	1.1	−4.2	5.2
Kentwood	17,855	14,737	18,706	15,899	16,523	**14,960**	−9.2	−9.5	2.0
Kinder	15,150	16,911	14,969					−11.5	
Krotz Springs	3,807	3,773	3,617	3,479	5,226	**4,320**	−24.5	−17.3	−5.1
Lafayette	1,023,590	1,065,440	1,092,126	1,019,159	1,061,324	**1,046,911**	−6.2	−1.4	−10.6
Lafayette Parish Police Jury	247,840	244,721	255,631	225,901	261,569	**282,082**	−17.8	7.8	−41.1
Lake Arthur	32,921	22,027	23,343	23,862	23,979	**21,424**	83.6	−10.7	76.3
Lake Charles	571,685	616,315	622,107	560,040	659,580	**603,825**	5.7	−8.5	0.3
Lake Providence	17,906	16,800	21,674				−11.6	29.0	
Leesville	63,383	79,021	141,585	146,791	83,072		28.9	−43.4	46.1
Lincoln Parish Police Jury	118,279	141,462	138,662	110,971	166,965	**147,750**	42.3	−11.5	39.4
Livingston	5,105	5,319	6,175	4,670	7,373	**5,753**	135.5	−22.0	24.1
Lockport	10,145	11,307	13,614	11,136	12,358	**19,271**	165.5	55.9	5.7
Loreauville	3,752	3,225	3,475	3,054	3,275	**3,127**	−23.6	−4.5	−14.6
Lutcher	10,461	9,097	11,397	9,093	10,136	**10,686**	10.8	5.4	−4.5
Madison Parish Police Jury	20,285	20,168	21,494	18,491	26,111	**19,931**	−13.0	−23.7	−0.9
Madisonville	3,393	3,732	3,093	3,840				24.2	
Mamou	10,479	13,742	11,846	7,713	12,574	**13,423**	5.1	6.8	2.5
Mandeville	63,260	67,758	63,743	71,494	68,060	**64,950**	68.0	−4.6	41.6
Mangham	3,190	2,617	2,412	2,339	2,458	**3,405**	30.9	38.5	−4.0
Mansfield	41,963	43,056	49,051	37,771	43,844	**45,915**	−3.7	4.7	−2.9
Marksville	46,520	46,377	46,331	45,500	45,306	**47,125**	−2.2	4.0	−0.9
Maurice	3,863	2,618	4,173	1,994	3,165	**3,924**	55.9	24.0	8.9
Many	36,463	36,059	39,030	34,059	38,937	**37,606**	1.3	−3.4	6.2
Melville	5,104	4,114	4,194	3,735	4,724	**4,035**	356.4	−14.6	14.8
Mermentau	1,178	640	734	1,471	1,203	**12,963**	1292.4	977.6	137.4
Mer Rouge	4,510	5,283	5,027	4,351	7,315	**5,869**	22.7	−19.8	−2.2
Merryville	3,014	2,820	3,854	3,030	3,155	**3,105**	42.8	−1.6	
Minden	86,289	90,499	97,647	74,464	111,458	**90,780**	7.6	−18.6	3.3
Monroe	1,012,965	975,409	1,091,136	1,091,209	1,173,869	**1,167,843**	102.1	−0.5	60.1
Moreauville	2,855	3,171	2,315	2,697	2,700	**2,699**	4.7	−0.0	−0.7
Morse	1,594	1,595	1,624	1,572	1,929	**1,399**	−29.3	−27.5	−17.2
Napoleonville	4,530	4,876	8,464	4,208	5,628	**6,440**	6.7	14.4	7.1
Natchitoches	207,503	214,066	239,478	230,575	214,875	**227,928**	15.5	6.1	5.3
New Iberia	324,267	349,301	348,038	306,121	372,165	**348,088**	−3.6	−6.5	−11.2
New Llano	3,710	5,359	4,075	6,486	5,402	**4,581**	25.5	−15.2	22.6
New Orleans	10,334,138	8,013,162	8,208,296	9,700,650	12,011,844	**9,606,891**	2.1	−20.0	19.6
New Roads	20,668	19,082	37,639	36,491	36,824	**38,688**	35.8	5.1	8.4
Oakdale	27,327	28,388	29,408	25,778	29,710	**28,452**	1.3	−4.2	−2.0
Oak Grove	20,613	21,807	22,886	19,612	22,750	**20,940**	4.0	−8.0	3.4
Oberlin	5,235	5,876	4,897	7,298	5,504	**6,220**	−8.8	13.0	5.8
Oil City	6,546	7,942	8,806	6,807	12,283	**9,074**	14.8	−26.1	−7.2
Opelousas	231,430	236,859	258,930	228,664	265,431	**241,929**	4.4	−8.9	−0.6
Ouachita Parish Police Jury	208,895	200,899	227,179	232,363	227,008	**275,323**	37.4	21.3	6.4
Pearl River	5,103	5,844	5,554	4,764	7,394	**5,593**	13.9	−24.4	1.7
Pine Prairie	3,121	2,799	5,346	3,819	3,985	**3,257**	13.9	−18.3	9.5
Pineville	60,286	62,057	72,041	55,666	79,018	**60,783**	−7.3	−23.1	5.1
Plain Dealing	6,120	7,094	7,344	6,178	7,500	**6,978**	15.5	−7.0	19.5
Plaquemine Parish Commission Council	361,728	265,610	334,742	262,180	308,040	**291,323**	−7.8	−5.4	−18.0
Plaucheville	840	798	866	826	810		−15.3	−1.9	−13.2
Pleasant Hill	685	1,358	709	709	2,674	**1,463**	0.7	−45.3	
Pollock	1,043	1,563	1,333	1,156	948	**1,092**	31.4	15.2	37.2
Ponchatoula	60,819	69,010	67,259	58,792	65,042	**61,076**	11.4	−6.1	72.3
Port Allen	30,661	27,575	31,744	28,005	25,220	**28,591**	6.4	13.4	−0.5
Port Barre	8,720	6,992	8,618	6,265	9,648	**6,561**	−15.2	−32.0	−14.9
Rayne	61,131	64,275	73,036	56,967	68,670	**75,622**	6.4	10.1	−8.1

Louisiana Local Sales Tax Collections

(Collections For Indicated Month Based On Sales For Preceding Month)

CITIES & TOWNS

	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Oct 83	Growth Rate: Latest Month: Same Month Prior Year	Growth Rate: Latest Month: **Prior Month**	Growth Rate: Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
Rayville	42,168	39,468	44,509	37,699	40,650	**40,588**	0.8	−0.2	1.2
Red River Parish Police Jury	26,333	24,537	47,010	29,680	38,093	**48,669**	4.6	27.8	−5.2
Ringold	6,723	8,706	5,229	2,146	7,449	**5,700**	−7.8	−23.5	0.4
Roseland	4,911	5,109	5,325	4,382	5,831	**5,491**	14.8	−5.8	58.2
Rosepine	1,752	1,458	1,693	1,201	1,699	**1,572**	5.1	−7.5	21.1
Ruston	62,989	75,428	73,168	61,390	82,012	**74,718**	−1.8	−8.9	4.8
St. Bernard Parish Police Jury	501,029	804,993	560,062	676,604	633,517	**631,147**	44.7	−0.4	15.2
St. Charles Parish Council	255,432	224,627	360,690	251,170	365,624	**379,297**	34.0	3.7	−8.8
St. Francisville	16,106	15,717	19,048	15,185	17,867	**18,128**	16.8	1.5	14.5
St. James Parish Council	227,333	139,057	910,010	187,716	281,594	**201,644**	10.7	−28.4	
St. Martinville	30,613	31,189	33,133	30,841	28,796	**33,738**	6.2	17.2	−6.1
Rapides Parish Police Jury	724,164	727,182	779,945	649,499	885,329	**768,608**	9.7	−13.2	7.9
Sarepta	1,087	1,694	927	2,906	1,032		−37.1	−64.5	6.3
Scott	25,571	24,486	25,897	27,682	24,584	**25,994**	16.8	5.7	−1.0
Shreveport	2,063,996	2,145,005	2,265,450	1,899,359	2,604,285	**2,225,916**	3.1	−14.5	0.3
Simmesport	7,925	6,390	6,822	6,937	6,933	**7,904**	24.8	14.0	
Slidell	199,651	210,897	218,687	186,398	245,069	**209,180**	5.6	−14.6	6.8
Springfield	2,381	2,001	1,925	2,[illegible]2	2,843	**2,116**	−2.5	−25.6	20.3
Springhill	39,178	40,725	48,306	34,946	50,495	**47,779**	8.7	−5.4	2.8
Sulphur	234,841	231,489	230,779	235,095	254,029	**223,188**	−0.4	−12.1	−0.2
Sun	1,637	446	632	362	531	**561**	−7.1	5.6	98.6
Sunset	9,633	7,070	4,101	11,868	8,222	**7,794**	1.4	−5.2	−2.2
Tallulah	23,674	24,944	26,972	25,267	24,434	**26,551**	2.5	8.7	
Tangipahoa	1,302	1,333	1,652	1,297	1,253	**1,151**	−41.6	−8.1	−0.2
Tensas Parish Police Jury	26,412	23,044	25,322	19,780	21,422	**27,210**	−4.8	27.0	[illegible].4
Thibodaux	210,297	216,865	234,389	189,696	230,073	**226,505**	9.7	−1.6	0.3
Vermillion Parish Police Jury	300,235	392,790	392,079	301,585	385,316	**500,872**	14.2	30.0	
Vidalia	29,258	27,311	32,047	33,180	35,507	**31,554**	−9.1	−11.1	11.1
Ville Platte	44,538	41,128	51,138	38,532	45,390	**52,830**	20.3	16.4	1.3
Vinton	20,255	21,078	21,758	17,311	24,803	**20,790**	1.4	−16.2	2.9
Vivian	25,767	27,954	30,691	23,587	29,752	**26,064**	2.6	−12.4	2.6
Walker	27,622	8,233	10,202	33,854	10,606	**92,840**	1285.1	775.4	129.2
Washington	5,148	3,550	3,491	3,863	4,149	**4,086**	1.3	−1.5	3.6
Welsh	14,174	15,687	16,545	12,552			−37.0	−24.1	−18.7
West Ascension Parish Hospital Service District	22,103	25,264	31,205	28,452	32,589	**32,589**	11.7	0.0	−7.7
Westlake	50,017	48,301	56,558	45,722	53,634	**48,117**	−0.2	−10.3	1.8
West Monroe	247,656	224,416	243,344	238,948	250,715	**252,834**	21.5	0.8	18.6
Winnsboro	42,340	46,962	52,768	44,166	48,278	**49,275**	4.8	2.1	0.5
Wisner	5,645	6,321	7,053	5,746	6,384	**6,057**	2.2	−5.1	5.2
Youngsville	11,880	10,199	11,399	11,468	15,247	**13,252**	43.0	−13.1	15.9
Zachary	99,690	94,461	89,981	80,308	96,115	**85,950**	5.3	−10.6	12.3

HISTORICAL SUMMARY

Louisiana State Sales Tax Collections By Parish

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
West Baton Rouge Parish												
1980	$261,640	196,809	260,466		371,163	262,114	246,736	246,666	232,524	283,881	197,129	154,897
1981	$216,993	236,928	224,448	260,861	301,297	311,793	318,980	349,242	258,506	335,494	295,799	251,147
1982	$338,660	290,568	228,026	421,993	269,864	264,014	255,341	272,164	251,441	240,526	394,831	213,621
1983	$200,321	217,929	203,632	236,082	206,031	216,629	202,858	279,327	246,124	300,436		
West Carroll Parish												
1980	$46,706	29,251	38,060		35,834	32,915	69,013	26,993	39,283	51,822	26,273	41,337
1981	$60,528	31,600	34,288	50,470	55,873	40,780	64,619	46,976	53,561	53,471	43,418	37,495
1982	$52,133	33,934	30,873	49,653	51,627	45,339	57,055	42,488	44,125	52,234	39,924	35,694
1983	$40,217	33,593	25,377	42,731	46,757	40,498	43,814	43,433	43,744	52,999		
West Feliciana Parish												
1980	$98,721	116,808	105,814		94,192	145,177	129,464	109,338	205,529	197,350	189,114	157,714
1981	$240,926	217,087	263,467	276,177	276,826	108,069	55,616	48,35[illegible]	82,134	46,776	28,325	174,437
1982	$299,903	239,247	208,552	114,924	174,475	185,373	172,361	289,[illegible]	208,488	366,146	121,862	170,510
1983	$239,984	243,992	86,017	176,030	776,051	165,423	133,569	238,074	125,033	364,426		
Winn Parish												
1980	$68,946	57,904	55,979		58,002	48,396	58,943	56,794	61,151	66,738	39,220	89,240
1981	$83,758	53,323	59,265	61,439	66,091	62,003	72,802	64,995	69,368	57,121	64,337	57,038
1982	$90,795	47,330	54,381	62,180	63,387	67,446	70,916	67,628	68,519	68,005	72,243	62,851
1983	$82,841	58,378	52,164	73,449	63,494	70,919	82,800	82,914	82,695	86,196		
Out Of State												
1980	$21,356,636	13,568,212	14,662,235		16,588,816	16,323,949	18,829,541	15,779,870	19,812,434	18,461,329	12,914,999	24,327,930
1981	$23,983,181	15,930,217	16,648,323	20,266,210	20,960,503	20,830,301	21,225,785	19,676,040	20,427,254	21,493,849	21,242,968	20,802,240
1982	$30,418,415	19,364,997	18,113,921	21,298,714	21,177,264	19,058,635	20,620,717	18,705,217	18,099,211	23,084,632	17,661,014	17,415,087
1983	$23,953,314	15,126,209	14,319,440	17,453,644	20,458,696	16,523,332	18,956,858	15,755,455	16,271,728	17,207,262		
Total Sales Tax												
1980	$64,951,321	48,956,645	50,306,532		57,102,658	55,856,048	51,601,040	55,882,195	62,835,436	61,585,113	47,124,651	75,571,126
1981	$74,646,429	55,193,546	59,865,299	67,218,275	67,982,963	67,865,236	70,680,532	68,031,729	67,726,251	69,292,025	69,008,157	65,658,840
1982	$87,809,748	61,110,319	60,382,512	72,733,748	65,563,930	63,937,153	69,410,984	62,938,204	63,673,588	68,663,634	61,689,108	58,188,276
1983	$72,698,363	52,260,336	50,950,537	63,245,188	61,761,007	59,929,466	65,063,000	61,090,491	60,453,052	62,719,175		

Louisiana State Sales Tax Collections

(Collections For Indicated Month Based On Sales For Preceding Month)

							Growth Rate		
							Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	**Oct 83**	Same Month Prior Year	**Prior Month**	
Acadia Parish	312,492	351,473	475,728	361,583	361,400	**396,174**	−0.0	**9.6**	−31.4
Allen Parish	61,130	58,534	71,632	63,605	57,649	**66,629**	0.7	**15.6**	−5.6
Ascension Parish	327,862	363,472	329,103	498,351	462,305	**428,112**	13.8	**−7.4**	−2.6
Assumption Parish	60,822	62,660	60,309	58,017	72,348	**61,781**	−13.0	**−14.6**	−16.4
Avoyelles Parish	112,402	125,369	141,263	111,949	115,558	**121,317**	−13.8	**5.0**	−8.0
Beauregard Parish	191,423	203,897	158,308	162,689	157,990	**168,836**	3.4	**6.9**	−6.5
Bienville Parish	28,618	63,445	32,940	29,242	35,919	**39,329**	16.0	**9.5**	3.6
Bossier Parish	523,031	565,485	657,496	631,118	650,217	**647,197**	13.5	**−0.5**	8.9
Caddo Parish	3,340,694	3,598,093	3,782,769	3,491,301	3,732,337	**3,776,048**	3.7	**1.2**	−5.1
Calcasieu Parish	1,785,692	1,854,491	2,246,583	1,865,135	1,950,891	**1,982,454**	13.9	**1.6**	−1.6
Caldwell Parish	29,331	26,661	32,534	33,720	33,721	**35,691**	0.9	**5.8**	−18.1
Cameron Parish	35,507	36,149	100,099	42,485	47,030	**52,981**	21.9	**12.7**	−57.1
Catahoula Parish	52,078	46,957	52,270	58,494	47,137	**68,635**	9.8	**45.6**	−5.9
Claiborne Parish	58,875	64,326	67,506	75,293	71,217	**76,586**	20.6	**7.5**	−8.0
Concordia Parish	86,086	93,804	102,269	92,046	92,564	**98,681**	8.5	**6.6**	−2.1
Desoto Parish	113,434	115,393	95,724	107,958	119,317	**94,377**	−22.2	**−20.9**	−22.9
East Baton Rouge Parish	6,007,703	5,791,288	6,070,495	6,832,246	5,912,773	**5,997,324**	3.5	**1.4**	−1.5
East Carroll Parish	42,554	33,888	42,947	46,985	41,688	**39,917**	−21.2	**−4.2**	−12.3
East Feliciana Parish	32,573	29,793	39,430	30,511	31,462	**32,290**	−2.7	**2.6**	−12.1
Evangeline Parish	103,994	106,823	116,049	110,262	132,199	**132,162**	−3.6	**−0.0**	−2.0
Franklin Parish	75,361	83,717	90,747	79,394	82,149	**89,890**	4.0	**9.4**	1.8
Grant Parish	4,443	15,279	17,135	14,111	11,907	**25,232**	19.0	**111.9**	−14.1
Iberia Parish	564,579	587,202	670,099	568,702	600,344	**635,057**	−1.5	**5.8**	−26.2
Iberville Parish	157,252	178,585	250,913	284,410	124,396	**365,999**	80.9	**194.2**	−11.8
Jackson Parish	68,282	88,526	70,335	104,403	170,394	**86,920**	−44.7	**−49.0**	−22.8
Jefferson Parish	4,809,972	4,990,232	5,741,539	5,889,201	5,824,470	**6,042,969**	24.5	**3.8**	1.5
Jefferson – Davis Parish	146,440	143,582	162,579	169,602	182,412	**173,222**	10.3	**−5.0**	−20.4
Lafayette Parish	2,798,632	2,992,100	3,607,072	2,798,825	3,076,374	**3,183,319**	−8.0	**3.5**	−22.6
Lafourche Parish	495,576	421,929	500,336	411,790	446,968	**580,322**	21.8	**29.8**	−4.1
Lasalle Parish	64,626	66,644	65,187	69,468	87,884	**85,263**	9.1	**−3.0**	−25.5
Lincoln Parish	242,151	266,227	291,174	334,330	275,789	**377,226**	13.7	**36.8**	−5.2
Livingston Parish	162,690	200,437	220,653	271,966	179,549	**189,542**	14.5	**5.6**	14.7
Madison Parish	39,146	39,227	43,368	40,570	39,040	**38,489**	0.0	**−1.4**	−6.3
Morehouse Parish	130,231	113,143	188,679	159,351	203,247	**104,459**	−40.4	**−48.6**	−12.3
Natchitoches Parish	204,564	218,545	146,069	205,593	222,132	**213,268**	7.2	**−4.0**	−2.6
Orleans Parish	8,934,594	10,942,028	9,616,798	10,295,014	9,017,935	**9,239,581**	−3.3	**2.5**	−5.3
Ouachita Parish	1,771,981	1,771,530	1,944,342	1,881,540	2,052,029	**1,992,697**	9.3	**−2.9**	7.2
Plaquemines Parish	277,298	413,261	318,029	253,890	431,849	**250,640**	−21.6	**−42.0**	−23.6
Pointe Coupe Parish	61,563	81,451	87,468	68,449	76,251	**83,591**	48.9	**9.6**	−6.7
Rapides Parish	1,072,006	1,125,338	1,301,642	1,224,765	1,187,317	**1,250,921**	16.7	**5.4**	11.3
Red River Parish	29,671	28,085	33,281	30,483	34,050	**35,606**	11.7	**4.6**	−4.4
Richland Parish	70,337	80,207	90,548	133,101	90,951	**82,973**	2.9	**−8.8**	−0.0
Sabine Parish	57,808	4,844	110,499	94,702	100,430	**107,551**	7.1	**7.1**	−7.8
St. Bernard Parish	234,542	200,213	259,538	44,634	234,810	**243,024**	−5.7	**3.5**	−26.8
St. Charles Parish	208,199	307,564	279,936	153,205	238,565	**249,768**	−29.6	**4.7**	−21.2
St. Helena Parish	2,891	17,462	11,581	10,074	12,376	**25,834**	141.4	**108.7**	−0.4
St. James Parish	81,639	77,813	99,275	70,882	92,681	**84,262**	3.7	**−9.1**	8.1
St. John Parish	169,558	257,225	209,290	214,156	264,262	**391,261**	90.1	**48.1**	0.5
St. Landry Parish	427,438	122,452	515,228	424,377	461,680	**451,022**	−18.5	**−2.3**	−22.2
St. Martin Parish	141,603	166,278	158,925	139,350	144,557	**169,039**	3.6	**16.9**	−13.0
St. Mary Parish	593,598	616,397	587,690	578,802	558,238	**538,373**	−23.6	**−3.6**	−36.7
St. Tammany Parish	634,948	728,927	836,305	761,389	833,909	**863,426**	46.9	**3.5**	29.9
Tangipahoa Parish	433,434	500,430	571,691	449,936	501,408	**504,354**	16.7	**0.6**	8.5
• Tensas Parish	14,674	18,776	20,171	16,844	15,405	**19,989**	−27.6	**29.8**	−20.0
Terrebonne Parish	820,559	923,350	927,699	914,463	960,580	**907,460**	−16.1	**−5.5**	−13.3
Union Parish	75,395	50,234	70,067	57,827	54,995	**65,348**	−9.0	**18.8**	8.2
Vermillion Parish	264,339	284,249	253,258	275,543	253,889	**259,870**	−4.9	**2.4**	−16.5
Vernon Parish	169,511	166,748	198,959	189,467	179,385	**177,417**	15.4	**−1.1**	32.3
Washington Parish	147,485	157,401	163,060	148,094	149,584	**160,874**	6.9	**7.5**	−13.9
Webster Parish	238,961	211,308	235,831	212,594	237,934	**209,762**	−9.8	**−11.8**	−1.6
West Baton Rouge Parish	206,031	216,629	202,858	279,327	246,124	**300,436**	24.9	**22.1**	−13.7
West Carroll Parish	46,757	40,498	43,814	43,433	43,744	**52,999**	1.5	**21.2**	−9.5
West Feliciana Parish	776,051	165,423	133,569	238,074	125,033	**364,426**	−0.5	**191.5**	15.4
Winn Parish	63,494	70,919	82,800	82,914	82,695	**86,196**	26.7	**4.3**	11.4
Out Of State	20,458,696	16,523,332	18,956,838	15,755,455	16,271,728	**17,207,262**	−20.5	**5.7**	−16.3
Total Sales Tax	61,761,007	59,929,466	65,063,000	61,090,491	60,453,052	**62,719,175**	−8.7	**3.7**	−10.0

Louisiana State Sales Tax Collections by Commodity

(Collections For Indicated Month Based On Sales For Preceding Month)

	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Oct 83	Growth Rate		
							Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
							Same Month Prior Year	Prior Month	
Grocery Stores	2,156,640	2,046,447	2,203,238	2,179,720	2,074,420	2,539,366	17.9	22.4	6.9
Fruit and Vegetable Stores	96,991	96,705	100,892	84,733	101,071	103,624	20.6	2.5	4.8
Meat and Seafood Stores	281,931	307,121	310,571	263,340	274,110	292,811	2.1	6.8	1.2
Restaurants and Cafes	2,416,374	2,563,026	2,448,219	2,627,414	2,381,467	2,562,257	21.9	7.6	7.3
Saloons/ Bars/ Package Liquors	2,181,152	2,288,035	2,603,515	2,108,005	2,285,879	2,299,644	3.9	0.6	1.2
Dairy/ Egg/ Poultry	132,562	191,331	156,518	151,651	164,008	151,613	13.4	−7.6	5.1
Bakeries	55,201	47,393	58,455	44,219	46,943	44,143	−20.8	−6.0	−9.4
Chain Stores−Food	540,348	497,860	493,115	608,621	350,943	515,773	−7.1	47.0	−4.5
Other Foods	1,074,794	1,097,905	1,188,487	1,123,039	1,208,342	1,307,896	17.9	8.2	1.3
Men and Boy's Clothing	260,049	291,401	281,269	222,985	244,238	216,735	−0.1	−11.3	−1.7
Women's Ready−To−Wear	598,675	587,393	521,650	506,532	539,816	518,776	−1.3	−3.9	−1.4
Millinery	569,135	423,838	523,652	372,807	397,947	485,446	5.1	22.0	9.7
Shoe Stores	626,826	519,909	500,931	508,396	636,985	521,587	−39.4	−18.1	−22.3
Salvage Clothing	3,745	3,597	4,136	5,219	3,674	6,297	3.5	71.4	98.1
Children's Clothing	37,682	35,930	35,231	42,050	45,278	48,603	14.6	7.3	2.9
Other Apparel	534,661	578,710	533,112	580,140	600,533	593,642	17.5	−1.1	−1.3
Department Stores	1,764,715	2,208,437	2,257,764	2,015,170	2,403,533	2,189,072	31.3	−8.9	25.7
Country and Farm Stores	8,158	6,150	8,569	8,383	9,263	8,528	−21.1	−7.9	−14.6
Variety Stores	1,854,580	1,685,145	1,703,787	1,545,790	1,689,451	1,602,654	5.3	−5.1	2.9
Drug Stores	982,942	965,469	904,254	924,386	919,526	891,906	11.4	−3.0	5.4
Jewelry/ Leather/ Sporting Goods	1,091,289	1,176,057	1,080,706	963,003	1,022,411	1,038,522	−0.7	1.6	19.1
Feed and Seed	119,542	123,654	136,969	143,711	103,878	127,964	8.6	23.2	−0.8
Hardware Stores	1,008,314	1,100,412	1,169,712	1,058,967	1,138,378	1,084,444	−2.8	−4.7	−10.6
Farm Implement Dealers	485,647	567,289	572,445	532,144	593,058	621,340	4.3	4.8	−22.1
Chain Stores−General Merchandise	1,721,343	1,904,222	1,741,634	1,748,110	2,013,036	1,645,286	2.3	−18.3	−1.1
Other General Merchandise	1,239,333	885,088	947,060	725,512	812,534	893,893	1.4	10.0	−12.9
Motor Vehicle Dealers	629,495	677,470	686,317	773,337	784,604	674,785	1.4	−14.0	−2.5
Auto Parts/ Tires/ Etc.	1,756,498	1,876,059	1,988,516	1,813,488	1,890,690	1,973,669	12.5	4.4	−0.2
Service Stations	555,079	587,327	769,057	683,978	679,481	838,686	11.7	23.4	12.9
Garages/ Repair Shops	754,946	763,481	896,974	780,137	768,532	964,354	7.5	25.5	−7.5
Diesel Fuel/ Fuel Oil	38,268	27,153	47,794	33,039	37,194	53,574	87.0	44.0	−1.3
Marine Supplies	122,639	166,933	171,854	149,954	125,558	137,519	−5.6	9.5	−31.0
Motor Boats/ Etc.	138,874	127,451	130,694	110,003	79,673	76,499	−17.6	−4.0	−12.8
Aircraft/ Etc.	31,330	32,480	44,040	37,284	26,193	38,971	−3.3	48.8	−36.4
Chain Stores−Automotive	989,908	544,234	2,957,771	571,606	896,699	650,092	−35.4	−27.5	13.6
Other Automotive	87,629	75,080	106,504	73,587	110,685	80,074	1.1	−27.7	−19.4
Furniture Stores	658,762	669,816	713,700	674,287	663,397	637,567	9.6	−3.9	−1.6
Electric and Gas Appliances	1,076,674	1,092,773	1,189,537	1,097,488	1,144,354	1,245,447	20.9	8.8	9.9
Butane Dealers	500,268	631,763	513,165	566,230	674,536	660,303	−24.4	−2.1	−30.5
Store/ Office Furniture	690,450	709,545	825,149	707,727	1,167,559	1,118,095	−8.5	−4.2	−9.1
Hotel/ Restaurant Supplies	180,706	234,376	171,097	206,807	218,803	191,785	−14.5	−12.3	7.2
Awnings/ Blinds/ Upholstery	238,873	269,017	261,495	270,494	263,658	284,031	1.7	7.7	−9.3
Dental/ Medical Supplies	288,146	393,364	371,223	517,591	389,884	428,115	2.8	9.8	12.3
Safes/ Locks	32,823	28,077	28,054	35,382	31,563	35,357	−13.0	12.0	−4.0
Other Furniture	233,912	254,280	303,797	254,943	251,416	361,988	22.8	29.1	14.6
Building Contractors/ Construction	142,462	168,890	180,059	194,884	178,638	263,647	27.5	47.6	−28.1
Lumber/ Paint/ Wallpaper Stores	3,495,955	3,925,599	4,028,518	3,883,894	3,873,368	3,780,609	12.3	−2.4	10.7
Electric /Plumbing /Elevators /Heating Materials	1,809,372	2,071,386	2,174,641	2,038,549	2,037,835	2,028,914	−45.5	−0.4	−14.2
Oil Well Equipment	1,540,421	1,620,643	2,177,139	1,778,620	1,941,471	1,839,756	−34.4	−5.2	−55.8
Contractors−Electrical, Etc.	154,920	171,901	176,340	195,022	184,098	182,508	−12.3	−0.9	−9.5
Contractors−Paint	11,693	10,394	13,242	8,686	10,617	12,607	−11.9	18.7	−8.9
Contractors−Roofing, and Sheet Metal	45,562	27,770	50,467	41,054	62,588	40,360	0.2	−35.5	10.8
Trucks/ Dragline/ Etc.	2,182,232	1,002,767	1,872,208	1,880,577	1,555,650	1,845,219	−17.6	18.6	−26.9
Other Contractors	326,804	371,410	533,934	471,206	344,174	451,312	4.0	31.1	−16.4
Hotels/ Motels/ Etc.	870,522	907,735	934,066	825,826	864,843	761,335	1.0	−12.0	1.9
Leasing/ Renting	4,138,099	1,359,103	1,545,839	2,958,169	1,430,989	1,555,809	−63.6	8.7	−10.2
Bowling/ Billiards	12,907	10,403	10,978	10,570	12,979	14,680	38.6	13.1	4.9
Laundry/ Tailoring	290,562	273,115	265,484	251,364	262,205	281,928	12.2	7.5	0.7
Newspapers/ Printing	576,944	573,887	606,525	590,382	645,373	691,606	2.6	7.2	−6.8
Warehouses	40,826	48,939	48,378	36,499	33,373	38,650	−52.0	15.8	60.6
Shoe Repair/ Shine	11,269	11,586	15,849	10,486	12,255	16,464	−5.5	34.3	2.6
Machine Shops/ Welding	449,288	502,702	586,758	409,886	521,287	557,919	−19.7	7.0	−27.7
Other Service Groups	501,245	515,626	682,008	620,255	600,691	615,651	22.2	2.5	2.2
Beverage Bottlers	387,935	447,632	467,228	439,017	524,574	[illegible]	20.3	[illegible]	2.8
Sugar Refineries	7,026	3,766	3,711	11,214	8,070	8,932	−33.6	10.7	−24.6
Petroleum/ Natural Gas	95,253	107,207	166,281	93,185	119,746	142,431	−25.2	18.9	−18.4
Petroleum Refineries	344,563	399,712	299,086	226,797	198,514	260,646	−57.8	31.3	−43.4

Louisiana State Sales Tax Collections

(Collections For Indicated Month Based On Sales For Preceding Month)

							Growth Rate		
							Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	**Oct 83**	Same Month Prior Year	**Prior Month**	
Sawmills/ Sash–Door	10,062	7,200	6,962	5,509	7,609	**7,859**	–81.6	**3.3**	–45.8
Sand and Gravel	241,283	258,999	247,972	298,457	299,846	**358,084**	24.2	**19.4**	–9.2
Rice Mills	1,246	841	1,443	14,542	2,960	**1,001**	25.8	–66.2	165.8
Cotton Seed Oil	2,394	2,835	2,564	1,456	1,866	**1,406**	–18.1	–24.7	2.2
Ice Manufacture	12,936	22,444	28,326	31,942	31,110	**25,670**	–2.3	–17.5	–12.5
Other Manufacturers	3,962,335	5,407,055	4,712,448	4,972,235	4,568,215	**4,912,599**	–35.1	**7.5**	–23.3
Trucking/ Freight/ Etc.	579	4,268	664	2,177	1,618	**984**	–37.4	–39.2	–65.0
Fire Protection	14,467	18,385	21,829	17,506	21,511	**26,441**	12.6	**22.9**	–9.0
Pipelines	143	320	1,270	2,398	542	**1,032**	1.5	**90.4**	–30.6
Light/ Power/ Gas	62,006	87,919	96,055	69,628	80,169	**65,589**	–50.4	–18.2	–13.2
Telephone/ Telegraph	7,999	9,213	8,442	8,992	8,448	**6,869**	–19.3	–18.7	4.8
Other Utilities	429,797	209,239	332,406	69,164	44,717	**383,979**	801.5	**758.7**	–21.3
Book Stores/ Etc.	246,769	250,166	306,177	234,474	304,357	**388,871**	–14.8	**27.8**	–12.6
Itinerant Vendors	9,374	8,896	10,665	8,489	9,342	**9,527**	–26.1	**2.0**	–19.8
Piano/ Musical Insuuments	258,528	261,092	273,081	243,432	274,200	**315,161**	–5.4	**14.9**	–6.4
Iron/ Sheet Metal/ Etc.	42,668	50,375	45,810	38,149	40,733	**52,558**	14.0	**29.0**	–29.2
Photo Studios	217,714	234,098	281,115	204,342	237,509	**255,222**	–6.5	**7.5**	–1.1
Cigar Stores/ News	478,884	500,411	540,039	481,422	496,193	**537,202**	17.9	**8.3**	9.8
Florists/ Nurseries	282,802	288,820	219,725	163,719	164,124	**208,626**	16.4	**27.1**	1.6
Funeral Parlors	97,097	105,248	104,049	94,757	96,757	**99,080**	–10.2	**2.4**	7.1
Fishing Bait	112,276	125,102	126,828	109,545	121,223	**141,343**	31.4	**16.6**	6.2
Miscellaneous	6,665,396	5,883,736	5,875,798	6,278,570	5,640,337	**5,934,785**	6.5	**5.2**	38.1
Common Carriers	264,676	241,294	281,620	249,664	255,981	**290,691**	–0.4	**13.6**	–31.7

HISTORICAL SUMMARY

Louisiana State Sales Tax Collections By Parish

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Acadia Parish												
1980	$389,995	309,240	294,820		353,071	327,089	389,708	344,569	354,056	440,299	312,893	597,785
1981	$449,460	346,815	379,257	436,641	450,446	433,896	489,087	424,040	567,308	415,319	444,367	376,306
1982	$548,087	361,226	390,270	540,870	414,157	477,738	488,284	386,942	1,691,799	396,370	396,410	358,993
1983	$438,286	329,100	290,274	395,213	312,492	351,473	475,728	361,583	361,400	396,174		
Allen Parish												
1980	$66,264	48,432	48,335		58,010	54,836	96,064	59,357	63,675	59,983	61,104	67,061
1981	$79,489	49,226	61,441	74,652	65,210	69,017	67,192	70,978	56,769	63,735	78,622	49,397
1982	$81,867	71,109	49,369	67,166	55,291	58,545	74,055	53,701	54,101	66,151	52,421	49,599
1983	$74,238	51,093	42,764	68,666	61,130	58,534	71,632	63,605	57,649	66,629		
Ascension Parish												
1980	$362,941	301,051	332,111		329,255	312,340	403,428	414,554	379,151	426,425	280,675	564,511
1981	$473,114	303,335	1,252,579	475,010	468,820	497,742	417,198	395,912	431,170	417,214	388,061	362,081
1982	$535,900	389,577	335,008	453,960	366,657	376,574	441,232	395,726	333,400	376,216	368,934	465,896
1983	$329,930	311,157	324,634	421,176	327,862	363,472	329,103	498,351	462,305	428,112		
Assumption Parish												
1980	$51,923	54,039	49,628		73,441	61,831	82,780	45,616	67,525	85,969	38,874	73,398
1981	$83,098	44,112	49,400	64,374	75,585	65,597	71,862	72,366	63,386	55,209	87,048	58,461
1982	$87,560	42,549	75,246	65,663	93,251	65,443	78,696	58,399	61,227	71,030	55,212	50,483
1983	$60,437	41,334	45,221	77,076	60,822	62,660	60,309	58,017	72,348	61,781		
Avoyelles Parish												
1980	$133,625	81,787	107,245		130,089	131,481	132,566	113,580	127,880	144,734	117,232	144,138
1981	$137,641	109,952	107,934	139,087	133,349	130,514	126,778	125,508	120,408	145,650	124,340	124,572
1982	$156,047	92,352	96,799	152,092	141,776	134,852	164,018	109,464	112,761	140,684	133,965	113,249
1983	$140,472	95,498	85,286	130,140	112,402	125,369	141,263	111,949	115,558	121,317		
Beauregard Parish												
1980	$360,084	142,067	273,186		265,257	236,549	241,128	172,684	237,183	249,038	573,420	263,032
1981	$306,435	164,778	208,399	254,170	229,615	211,821	244,556	229,212	202,296	201,590	173,425	172,448
1982	$299,093	187,257	178,400	224,305	145,568	167,915	193,573	172,997	164,901	163,291	162,976	170,755
1983	$231,882	135,735	148,498	204,724	191,423	203,897	158,308	162,689	157,990	168,836		
Bienville Parish												
1980	$76,805	41,870	22,624		44,138	73,592	44,259	44,002	32,804	52,070	30,574	33,905
1981	$43,341	33,371	22,929	47,765	32,660	24,425	38,129	26,954	25,464	37,629	37,883	27,748
1982	$42,275	21,852	18,806	46,740	31,574	27,678	44,133	26,472	27,961	33,896	25,808	22,605
1983	$35,689	19,528	22,099	45,867	28,618	63,445	32,940	29,242	35,919	39,329		
Bossier Parish												
1980	$454,981	411,521	370,708		396,169	368,698	479,120	473,427	499,787	485,429	347,244	481,996
1981	$460,344	347,727	422,762	408,284	468,304	509,908	518,809	518,609	553,298	521,363	441,920	391,179
1982	$514,445	411,107	419,759	523,431	489,298	513,979	598,926	647,898	614,542	570,380	526,459	451,461
1983	$599,013	406,898	438,349	587,238	523,031	565,485	657,496	631,118	650,217	647,197		
Caddo Parish												
1980	$2,967,829	2,561,996	3,328,586		3,093,278	2,788,503	3,000,123	3,610,188	3,368,502	3,438,744	2,904,253	3,866,967
1981	$4,129,232	3,055,914	3,292,276	4,173,830	3,430,937	3,837,331	3,910,821	3,867,593	3,782,958	4,229,419	3,835,293	3,805,403
1982	$4,713,216	3,175,517	3,498,342	3,955,266	3,704,300	3,628,183	4,099,503	3,545,695	3,851,342	3,641,147	3,350,397	3,350,631
1983	$4,507,660	3,137,365	3,332,886	3,752,946	3,340,694	3,598,093	3,782,769	3,491,301	3,732,337	3,776,048		
Calcasieu Parish												
1980	$1,825,751	1,515,533	1,605,302	1,654,730	1,789,737	1,679,901	1,994,954	1,899,657	1,951,677	1,821,273	1,483,381	2,222,509
1981	$2,251,198	1,485,660	1,889,707	2,071,908	1,873,898	2,313,576	2,132,474	2,071,015	1,898,297	2,059,021	1,798,097	1,888,639
1982	$2,357,892	1,739,651	1,760,421	2,060,046	1,792,032	1,771,688	1,878,353	2,062,252	1,839,254	1,740,124	1,980,477	1,467,301
1983	$2 018,094	1,516,239	1,606,214	2,052,036	1,785,692	1,854,491	2,246,583	1,865,135	1,950,891	1,982,454		
Caldwell Parish												
1980	$32,377	19,730	23,535		25,478	23,708	31,233	23,703	30,264	30,038	12,895	40,173
1981	$32,819	22,348	21,112	28,683	30,183	30,257	29,767	33,364	31,076	28,721	36,294	28,392
1982	$87,140	19,773	23,899	32,237	30,920	35,384	38,502	37,898	33,846	35,359	26,672	24,579
1983	$38,695	21,387	24,541	32,725	29,331	26,661	32,534	33,720	33,721	35,691		
Cameron Parish												
1980	$51,355	44,663	55,485		63,567	55,079	51,994	57,308	58,811	51,036	37,938	57,348
1981	$67,982	41,315	40,861	47,771	56,666	30,257	62,687	59,125	55,058	78,344	50,832	743,148
1982	$46,843	48,213	37,181	45,484	45,008	41,799	49,274	38,927	36,360	43,456	43,645	34,370
1983	$41,692	28,956	27,623	35,382	35,507	36,149	100,099	42,485	47,030	52,981		
Catahoula Parish												
1980	$52,165	39,451	45,081		47,865	55,956	55,824	38,784	57,668	61,259	45,473	63,394
1981	$59,822	38,064	56,416	70,004	63,046	68,955	83,286	62,152	59,631	70,334	58,339	48,656
1982	$51,262	36,329	35,874	63,439	52,538	66,324	61,934	55,069	48,855	62,508	55,108	53,129
1983	$49,351	31,277	29,812	59,135	52,078	46,957	52,270	58,494	47,137	68,635		
Claiborne Parish												
1980	$66,741	43,534	44,498		52,454	49,206	66,221	52,548	58,942	63,834	47,415	70,789
1981	$69,773	57,535	52,736	70,327	61,268	63,056	73,339	72,154	21,897	73,502	66,302	76,200
1982	$106,032	78,640	74,380	87,017	68,847	62,840	90,206	62,376	65,357	63,482	61,654	64,248
1983	$91,427	64,567	61,507	72,086	58,875	64,326	67,506	75,293	71,217	76,586		
Concordia Parish												
1980	$149,168	66,198	71,761		79,628	86,772	108,386	92,460	91,721	99,763	86,017	106,064
1981	$97,079	67,872	68,129	100,366	100,117	100,458	95,129	84,378	94,955	97,505	95,618	73,294
1982	$106,032	61,107	66,851	95,811	88,093	86,241	116,593	82,829	87,676	90,986	78,884	79,371
1983	$92,184	70,547	61,507	81,198	86,086	93,804	102,269	92,046	92,564	98,681		

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Louisiana State Sales Tax Collections By Parish

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Desoto Parish												
1980	$95,214	55,274	44,654		76,150	55,651	89,155	63,031	76,138	90,857	71,320	102,986
1981	$116,908	111,278	119,270	89,911	118,483	102,064	101,903	99,122	97,669	97,614	103,085	120,293
1982	$166,673	79,608	92,729	95,811	100,749	245,233	371,117	89,388	94,865	121,333	103,194	105,648
1983	$130,545	79,983	95,196	134,854	113,434	115,393	95,724	107,958	119,317	94,377		
East Baton Rouge Parish												
1980	$6,384,952	4,844,288	4,981,097		5,026,621	5,565,887	5,562,371	5,188,483	5,554,793	5,575,631	4,665,570	6,581,468
1981	$6,318,169	5,671,019	5,204,181	6,122,837	5,971,609	5,644,255	6,680,774	6,332,103	6,685,291	5,745,458	7,126,074	5,180,272
1982	$6,912,885	5,423,394	5,248,123	6,365,336	5,617,739	6,008,191	6,096,033	5,593,235	5,810,205	5,793,533	5,534,667	5,591,176
1983	$6,294,508	5,213,899	4,913,826	5,912,246	6,007,703	5,791,288	6,070,495	6,832,246	5,912,773	5,997,324		
East Carroll Parish												
1980	$48,952	38,030	36,982		55,787	48,383	73,712	50,539	63,418	59,668	49,811	58,512
1981	$56,691	37,241	39,587	59,956	55,492	46,852	102,247	53,945	46,535	59,953	43,914	62,106
1982	$51,342	29,726	28,977	44,894	38,280	43,603	49,259	41,018	41,865	50,640	40,779	41,607
1983	$37,644	28,333	24,466	40,024	42,554	33,888	42,947	46,985	41,688	39,917		
East Feliciana Parish												
1980	$36,019	29,365	35,604		34,097	36,126	46,060	50,395	47,855	39,047	35,547	40,136
1981	$48,661	32,399	32,024	47,410	40,947	40,333	42,079	44,901	38,208	36,557	42,955	36,892
1982	$47,782	39,631	24,065	44,614	41,523	37,633	48,589	22,191	27,776	33,185	40,177	26,614
1983	$35,529	27,650	29,844	36,719	32,573	29,793	39,430	30,511	31,462	32,290		
Evangeline Parish												
1980	$101,549	70,676	75,655		80,521	115,713	93,228	83,636	92,759	94,152	58,715	109,919
1981	$121,847	75,482	98,609	104,293	97,462	124,443	118,826	104,301	97,669	116,792	100,487	93,705
1982	$144,330	95,450	39,652	128,107	110,652	103,952	129,343	101,434	99,091	137,037	93,212	100,071
1983	$133,604	76,381	81,542	120,544	103,994	106,823	116,049	110,262	132,199	132,162		
Franklin Parish												
1980	$85,932	68,991	68,615		70,833	86,069	81,086	74,664	82,354	86,754	56,218	99,073
1981	$100,344	57,524	74,435	83,893	78,455	82,661	84,645	85,495	79,644	86,973	72,262	71,321
1982	$93,455	40,474	62,876	92,108	77,540	85,807	86,525	62,099	77,231	86,470	73,806	67,564
1983	$90,338	53,047	53,277	85,117	75,361	83,717	90,747	79,394	82,149	89,890		
Grant Parish												
1980	$17,395	16,926	22,484		20,116	16,018	20,028	16,309	17,883	24,335	8,341	26,272
1981	$26,160	12,051	19,213	26,947	24,742	14,827	20,845	15,241	15,996	13,976	17,489	13,937
1982	$20,359	13,894	13,265	22,943	11,857	15,525	20,569	13,653	12,555	21,204	12,932	10,521
1983	$18,020	15,859	9,857	14,117	4,443	15,279	17,135	14,111	11,907	25,232		
Iberia Parish												
1980	$658,138	509,896	534,783		582,768	581,122	675,837	810,665	702,007	673,493	524,405	974,597
1981	$776,515	729,235	1,215,589	917,620	771,833	881,579	943,496	876,307	829,159	818,353	879,377	921,702
1982	$1,131,599	802,243	725,957	816,297	843,723	733,138	769,634	762,722	683,852	644,531	549,543	593,437
1983	$824,615	528,975	485,450	559,740	564,579	587,202	670,099	568,702	600,344	635,057		
Iberville Parish												
1980	$192,948	121,186	146,728		248,557	201,879	215,218	139,194	252,661	213,114	187,954	195,977
1981	$204,165	165,063	168,451	191,821	193,548	222,962	350,061	182,494	165,860	196,291	176,735	186,376
1982	$240,957	133,634	169,694	193,421	319,000	183,111	187,375	173,164	469,173	202,369	152,262	71,324
1983	$307,313	130,313	150,941	149,587	157,252	178,585	250,913	284,410	124,396	365,999		
Jackson Parish												
1980	$81,641	52,384	59,708		61,337	61,491	68,481	63,345	67,626	62,655	43,455	90,456
1981	$81,042	69,741	56,634	64,794	72,367	78,936	89,862	76,683	65,714	122,204	72,857	83,327
1982	$251,947	61,129	135,211	153,508	75,631	161,438	89,192	117,483	89,581	157,242	123,234	80,667
1983	$136,382	58,595	55,124	75,885	68,282	88,526	70,335	104,403	170,394	86,920		
Jefferson Parish												
1980	$4,431,535	3,620,241	3,508,251		4,037,127	4,022,963	4,619,825	3,960,428	4,569,221	4,321,209	3,488,036	5,502,258
1981	$5,233,713	3,961,650	4,486,049	4,983,734	4,985,301	5,092,049	5,396,394	5,120,426	4,980,238	4,887,513	4,865,629	4,858,218
1982	$5,870,358	4,638,945	4,491,805	5,405,182	4,971,447	4,731,426	5,806,782	4,745,537	4,981,369	4,853,140	4,514,874	4,323,877
1983	$5,492,450	4,184,808	4,114,447	5,201,456	4,809,972	4,990,232	5,741,539	5,889,201	5,824,470	6,042,969		
Jefferson – Davis Parish												
1980	$175,039	138,969	151,790		188,594	177,093	199,392	175,442	197,367	176,322	137,033	229,038
1981	$235,439	172,360	221,416	206,574	223,957	236,427	221,063	242,259	222,405	226,662	211,891	209,209
1982	$253,435	160,000	211,997	229,852	189,869	183,821	205,220	184,724	159,179	156,992	166,486	149,370
1983	$165,694	133,811	129,032	154,042	146,440	143,582	162,579	169,602	182,412	173,222		
Lafayette Parish												
1980	$3,121,615	2,982,487	2,630,381	3,231,978	3,779,280	3,021,216	3,366,159	3,196,271	3,480,987	3,640,418	2,813,357	4,053,980
1981	$4,228,099	3,662,250	3,430,223	3,834,953	4,012,119	3,944,252	4,640,897	4,680,838	4,624,331	4,281,322	4,491,588	4,103,869
1982	$5,230,018	4,035,383	4,028,324	4,761,356	4,034,322	3,858,005	3,861,321	3,787,669	3,443,870	3,460,478	3,183,500	3,244,956
1983	$3,920,379	3,131,368	2,685,235	3,357,423	2,798,632	2,992,100	3,607,072	2,798,825	3,076,374	3,183,319		
Lafourche Parish												
1980	$461,397	396,415	390,016		523,072	441,340	508,751	462,888	445,062	485,402	545,072	518,380
1981	$569,993	408,684	428,184	507,663	510,484	519,023	581,840	521,997	442,760	430,482	491,492	442,306
1982	$529,335	424,863	420,217	544,913	448,974	461,659	530,559	411,039	398,587	476,502	433,760	391,813
1983	$468,175	382,077	338,252	482,323	495,576	421,929	500,336	411,790	446,968	580,322		
Lasalle Parish												
1980	$71,620	53,754	59,028		78,113	64,107	80,993	72,624	88,868	86,319	57,004	87,319
1981	$95,355	52,562	65,227	104,148	84,567	79,570	77,847	89,283	74,286	76,596	75,882	66,814
1982	$109,756	160,922	74,944	90,762	74,123	67,847	85,913	118,476	134,500	78,141	64,282	52,725
1983	$81,901	62,908	76,582	70,736	64,626	66,644	65,187	69,468	87,884	85,263		

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Louis'ana State Sales Tax Collections By Parish

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Lincoln Parish												
1980	$265,988	180,032	208,124		233,447	274,849	259,877	278,259	293,056	284,242	204,463	338,123
1981	$378,722	238,311	267,884	273,012	306,758	346,177	329,242	301,183	282,579	328,174	296,063	260,403
1982	$343,079	236,835	244,238	326,927	272,380	274,737	399,904	284,552	279,712	331,901	264,615	256,266
1983	$319,291	217,925	199,033	322,767	242,151	266,227	291,174	334,330	275,789	377,226		
Livingston Parish												
1980	$119,499	113,139	115,208		135,629	148,403	121,542	126,657	142,743	156,768	95,493	168,779
1981	$132,455	114,785	131,395	172,983	158,222	175,453	173,669	155,093	143,831	163,659	153,821	133,576
1982	$166,479	115,652	133,367	183,221	156,080	170,221	196,579	147,768	169,248	165,480	151,459	149,264
1983	$196,993	134,307	130,456	182,953	162,690	200,437	220,653	271,966	179,549	189,542		
Madison Parish												
1980	$48,087	19,507	36,759		42,364	40,153	50,681	42,445	49,916	54,759	31,774	52,363
1981	$47,596	36,899	33,536	45,584	50,225	46,829	42,387	52,123	36,980	51,567	40,786	38,000
1982	$50,335	24,900	28,126	46,643	47,377	51,230	60,918	44,716	32,127	38,472	38,465	42,338
1983	$46,665	28,404	35,100	41,216	39,146	39,227	43,368	40,570	39,040	38,489		
Morehouse Parish												
1980	$116,574	162,181	131,138		135,310	99,224	170,824	156,390	159,593	202,719	90,214	144,161
1981	$217,753	99,528	120,557	197,057	166,846	116,881	231,417	230,039	244,421	193,902	215,383	147,953
1982	$157,763	168,778	165,888	268,918	87,149	102,665	164,582	220,943	134,852	175,383	172,985	247,849
1983	$137,497	60,747	98,115	147,022	130,231	113,143	188,679	159,351	203,247	104,459		
Natchitoches Parish												
1980	$203,833	166,945	144,442		164,559	181,070	201,544	192,636	206,993	225,303	161,215	214,406
1981	$223,70[illegible]	169,163	162,239	190,824	196,018	206,256	205,387	197,123	204,602	209,345	194,924	194,251
1982	$266,242	161,799	193,208	245,336	165,921	189,168	215,817	188,663	190,022	199,036	189,829	186,390
1983	$221,694	173,083	154,189	206,476	204,564	218,545	146,069	205,593	222,132	213,268		
Orleans Parish												
1980	$10,530,447	8,432,235	7,759,644		9,446,735	9,202,053	9,495,095	8,748,069	9,621,845	9,314,771	7,447,768	11,716,216
1981	$11,886,622	8,791,322	10,546,997	10,313,095	10,720,830	10,694,771	10,440,328	10,565,852	10,544,773	10,803,689	10,612,044	10,544,130
1982	$12,919,187	8,846,108	9,448,863	10,940,682	10,168,989	10,079,648	10,536,482	9,344,149	9,672,903	9,759,753	9,402,370	9,947,842
1983	$11,238,945	8,527,859	8,904,614	10,281,360	8,934,594	10,942,028	9,616,798	10,295,014	9,017,935	9,239,581		
Ouachita Parish												
1980	$2,007,474	1,501,441	1,521,709		1,738,050	1,772,871	1,702,806	1,585,253	1,797,572	1,751,789	1,427,635	2,080,891
1981	$2,072,296	1,571,867	1,493,417	1,845,814	1,786,203	1,727,608	1,998,664	1,820,754	1,724,034	1,862,635	1,649,744	1,698,825
1982	$2,467,437	1,478,455	1,542,566	1,971,957	1,056,665	1,735,098	1,878,022	1,632,062	1,658,176	1,822,395	1,695,161	1,755,673
1983	$2,303,252	1,440,125	1,513,736	1,951,371	1,771,981	1,771,530	1,944,342	1,881,540	2,052,029	1,992,697		
Plaquemines Parish												
1980	$351,939	422,818	353,238		439,122	430,430	408,601	307,618	323,407	377,084	330,581	402,023
1981	$381,436	319,367	308,261	378,297	369,583	380,585	377,504	386,032	362,684	666,856	368,896	288,067
1982	$417,548	941,627	368,868	446,585	327,398	409,499	414,139	358,924	270,761	319,493	301,409	284,068
1983	$278,401	320,559	243,641	395,202	277,298	413,261	318,029	253,890	431,849	250,640		
Pointe Coupe Parish												
1980	$57,502	41,562	44,069		56,433	54,250	66,397	66,529	70,796	48,546	53,963	83,696
1981	$84,968	61,745	69,604	81,367	69,439	64,548	79,902	83,523	80,923	71,905	85,991	80,597
1982	$102,441	59,522	62,911	99,875	66,283	76,358	92,640	65,860	54,032	56,146	54,193	56,755
1983	$75,732	43,863	68,516	84,399	61,563	81,451	87,468	68,449	76,251	83,591		
Rapides Parish												
1980	$1,078,787	797,468	859,056		999,888	1,063,309	1,058,561	1,065,505	953,506	979,841	739,724	1,111,910
1981	$1,089,638	782,860	903,128	981,536	963,045	1,079,592	1,077,990	992,388	977,174	960,997	915,186	831,553
1982	$1,229,580	820,673	826,203	1,039,227	995,584	997,670	1,127,676	1,013,262	1,032,822	1,071,691	1,039,950	959,885
1983	$1,192,637	865,044	869,831	1,149,762	1,072,006	1,126,338	1,301,642	1,224,765	1,187,317	1,250,921		
Red River Parish												
1980	$37,426	28,530	28,851		26,600	24,101	31,093	32,053	40,030	31,355	27,765	35,504
1981	$46,072	30,660	34,325	35,579	31,770	33,530	36,151	38,596	29,509	45,634	27,485	30,277
1982	$51,729	32,305	21,023	31,345	26,972	36,497	35,445	31,872	25,104	31,886	24,652	29,880
1983	$34,198	26,208	25,841	33,014	29,671	28,085	33,281	30,483	34,050	35,606		
Richland Parish												
1980	$92,294	71,520	69,385		94,358	78,613	82,558	69,257	80,954	105,399	70,574	101,228
1981	$92,639	71,308	61,300	86,252	87,327	85,235	81,237	87,284	97,218	101,730	91,756	69,672
1982	$89,825	53,476	50,770	92,008	80,920	92,892	108,889	91,550	85,333	80,597	91,720	74,030
1983	$82,879	57,949	50,391	82,148	70,337	80,207	90,548	133,101	90,951	82,973		
Sabine Parish												
1980	$106,795	61,572	68,247		81,098	77,265	97,220	72,029	88,518	99,063	46,439	182,205
1981	$129,904	65,954	72,088	115,525	101,261	98,392	97,826	115,731	101,097	117,460	96,438	81,116
1982	$130,204	103,304	100,650	109,425	98,856	97,540	108,041	89,975	90,100	100,395	114,427	84,867
1983	$117,368	132,585	77,191	109,260	57,808	4,844	110,499	94,702	100,430	107,551		
St. Bernard Parish												
1980	$250,494	199,101	235,717		242,354	241,247	307,774	160,749	327,466	295,048	155,216	390,039
1981	$312,326	289,224	225,844	332,634	325,912	366,038	352,514	345,413	319,934	310,869	286,374	235,079
1982	$310,124	254,647	242,317	348,630	256,765	274,138	266,990	268,394	436,045	257,761	223,110	224,513
1983	$246,185	205,661	167,310	233,815	234,542	200,213	259,538	44,634	234,810	243,024		
St. Charles Parish												
1980	$307,576	239,029	336,948		192,673	190,693	415,741	247,296	294,002	228,697	282,110	338,953
1981	$349,550	258,139	299,441	248,045	277,133	248,316	290,986	461,187	199,945	268,949	304,527	219,273
1982	$365,526	391,130	405,431	366,409	298,469	483,417	332,363	644,624	971,746	354,549	1,489,407	171,87[illegible]
1983	$362,080	204,330	179,313	202,640	208,199	307,564	279,936	153,205	238,565	249,768		

Louisiana Tourist Traffic Data

Visitors To Selected Tourist Attractions

	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	**Oct 83**	Growth Rate		
							Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
							Same Month Prior Year	**Prior Month**	
Audubon State Commemorative Area	10,645	8,153	8,631	6,685	5,889	**9,891**	12.0	68.0	−11.5
Camp Moore State Commemorative Area	549	470	496	391	804	**342**	1.5	−57.5	31.1
Chemin–A–Haut State Park	4,941	12,463	8,836	7,088	3,351	**2,419**	27.4	−27.8	−2.5
Chicot State Park	31,190	36,034	40,588	26,388	27,281	**65,042**	111.3	138.4	−23.4
Cypremort Point State Park	27,960	10,732	13,970	12,808	7,824	**2,836**	−11.2	−63.8	−34.2
Edward Douglass White Memorial	105	44	129	27	39	**32**	−50.8	−17.9	−56.0
Fairview–Riverside State Park	21,060	12,714	27,850	23,920	15,792	**9,179**	−68.7	−41.9	−40.3
Fontainbleau State Park	33,156	34,420	48,112	16,108	19,722	**19,556**	13.1	−0.8	31.9
Fort Jesup State Commemorative Area	5,746	1,268	5,890	3,240	3,088	**6,790**	13.5	119.9	−7.3
Fort Pike State Commemorative Area	26,834	10,000	11,000	9,000	25,432	**36,760**	206.3	44.5	86.0
Fort St. Jean Baptiste	2,609	1,080	1,691	908	556	**1,439**		158.8	
Grand Isle State Park	37,109	25,000	32,101	27,000	17,925	**10,262**	74.2	−42.8	−28.7
Hodges Gardens	7,565	4,998	4,267	3,192	1,986	**2,494**	−14.6	25.6	−6.3
Indian Creek Recreational Area	22,445	25,042	30,607	15,509	7,049	**4,243**	6.2	−39.8	6.5
Kent House State Commemorative Area	1,120	589	590	0	0	**0**	−31.9	0.2	−12.2
Lake Bistineau State Park	16,070	13,898	27,878	13,439	9,352	**7,052**	79.4	−24.6	−1.9
Lake Bruin State Park	5,870	3,784	2,838	3,410	2,250	**1,988**	−63.8	−11.6	6.2
Lake Claiborne State Park	14,378	11,840	64,368	29,220	18,088	**10,468**	583.7	−42.1	272.3
Lake D'Arbonne State Park	5,737	6,184	6,478	2,743	3,081	**2,008**	100.0	−34.8	5.0
Longfellow–Evangeline State Park	19,558	16,120	21,704	13,594	12,690	**15,038**	−34.7	18.5	−44.6
Los Adeas	32	26	24	29	321	**27**	−50.0	−91.6	
Louisiana State Exhibit Museum, Shreveport	36,400	32,300	27,600	24,800	26,800	**101,000**	4.1	276.9	−0.7
Louisiana State Fairgrounds	78,564	13,900	16,583	25,525	91,200	**730,430**	3.4	700.9	7.5
Louisiana State Museum, New Orleans	20,434	14,852	15,516	10,876	5,454	**5,979**	−63.0	9.6	−22.8
Mansfield State Commemorative Area	3,676	2,300	4,120	4,084	1,901	**2,097**	27.6	10.3	−18.2
Marksville State Commemorative Area	1,145	1,135	1,505	995	1,050	**1,080**	39.4	2.9	12.6
Old Arsenal Museum	8,983	5,363	8,074	5,884	3,104	**4,802**	5.6	54.7	−3.4
Old State Capitol	7,915	5,355	7,575	5,542	3,192	**5,243**	1.3	64.3	−3.5
Plaquemine Locks	223	87	204	135	145	**74**	−50.3	−49.0	
Port Hudson	8,396	5,664	9,546	5,864	4,760	**4,000**		−16.0	
Poverty Point State Commemorative Area	1,825	4,225	4,469	3,425	3,356	**3,979**	36.3	18.6	−44.5
Rebel State Commemorative Area	2,633	4,331	2,020	2,194	2,894	**5,226**	−2.5	80.6	53.6
St. Bernard State Park	8,030	3,216	2,200	3,734	6,140	**5,360**	18.7	−12.7	−1.4
Sam Houston Jones State Park	50,165	36,527	31,123	23,032	28,522	**25,671**	−9.8	−10.0	−15.6
Winter Parks Commemorative Area	397	136	119	165	90	**56**		−37.8	

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Greenwood	15,982	20,625	24,662	19,647	11,350	**12,798**	−2.7	12.8	1.5
Kentwood (I–55)	7,488	9,377	11,559	9,276	6,731	**7,941**	−11.9	18.0	−14.1
Louisiana State Capitol	25,264	19,294	23,848	21,276	14,931	**18,000**	−5.5	20.6	−16.6
Mound Center (I–20 W)	11,675	18,038	20,369	13,587	8,181	**8,020**	−12.0	−2.0	13.4
New Orleans	11,644	11,465	11,327	12,329	9,592	**12,722**	1.1	32.6	26.7
Pearl River (I–59)	59,276	90,815	113,431	106,250	83,669	**82,404**	115.6	−1.5	92.9
St. Francisville	4,003	3,877	4,305	3,913	2,494	**3,626**	−1.5	45.4	3.1
Slidell (I–10 W)	56,742	69,702	70,951	73,470	45,447	**54,048**	−13.8	18.9	−14.7
Toledo Bend	2,212	2,533	3,119	2,300	1,717	**1,817**	−1.8	5.8	−0.1
Vidalia	1,550	1,652	2,093	1,636	1,401	**1,758**	18.2	25.5	5.0
Vinton (I–10 E)	21,802	31,168	38,201	25,816	15,785	**18,118**	3.8	14.8	10.2

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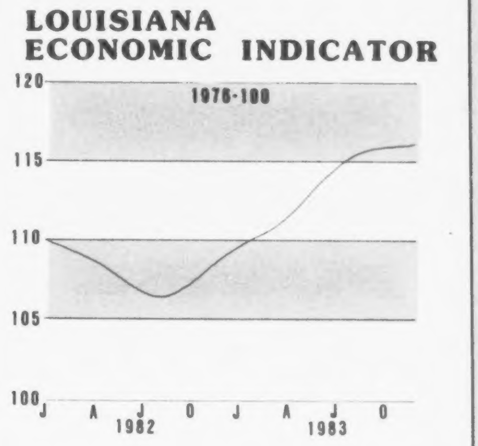

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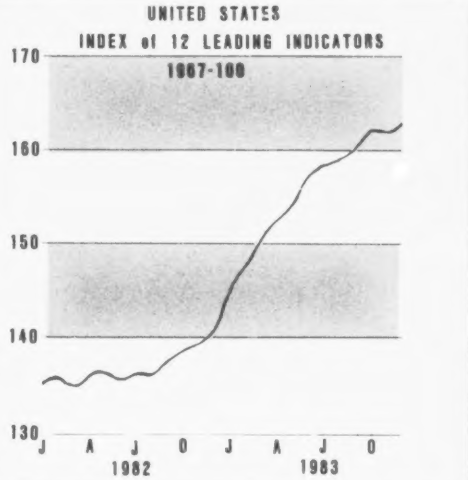

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The Monthly Economic Report
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Although signals are somewhat mixed, the national economy appears to be doing well. The seasonally adjusted Consumer Price Index for all Urban Consumers rose a modest 3 tenths of one percent in December. During all of 1983, the CPI rose 3.8 percent which is the smallest calendar year price increase since 1972. Compared with 1982, 1983 prices for energy actually declined, medical care and entertainment costs rose more slowly than in 1982 but the prices for new and used cars, as well as for clothing, increased faster in 1983. The national unemployment rate decreased from 8.1 percent in December to 8 percent in January, which was more than 2½ points below the 1982 recession high. The median duration of unemployment was 8.8 weeks in January 1984, as compared with 10.7 weeks in January 1983. Although unlikely to continue in the future, new home sales increased 28 percent in December. Wages are expected to increase at a more rapid rate in

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Monthly Summary

Louisiana	**December 1983**	
Employment Statistics		
Unemployment Rate		
New Hampshire	4.3	
Connecticut	4.5	
Kansas	4.9	
Colorado	5.3	
Nebraska	5.3	
LOUISIANA	10.1	
Alaska	11.0	
Oregon	11.2	
Michigan	11.9	
Alabama	12.3	
West Virginia	15.7	
Civilian Labor Force (000)	1899.0	1.4
Number of Unemployed (000)	191.1	16.5
Unemployments Benefits Paid		
Number of Weeks	254,834	15.4
Dollar Amount Paid	38,691,305	25.8
Average Weekly Manufacturing		
Hours	40.7	0.7
Earnings	402.12	4.1
Number of New Claims	137,767	6.6
Number of Exhaustions	8,031	55.5
Construction		
Number of Construction Contracts	3,231	52.9
Value of Construction Contracts ($ Million)		
Residential	145.8	47.7
Non-Residential	76.8	-20.3
Non-Building	62.4	41.7
Revenue Collections		
Severance Tax	66,726,460	-13.0
General Sales Tax	61,683,336	-7.7
Motor Vehicle Tax	9,107,065	-2.9
Gasoline Tax	14,117,730	0.9
Individual Income Tax	22,613,150	-3.2
Corporation Income Tax	42,308,090	1.1
Corporation Franchise Tax	1,512,337	14.3
Tobacco Tax & Permits Tax	4,978,316	-11.2
Alcoholic Beverages & Permits	5,078,928	-3.5
Inheritance Tax	2,257,691	13.9
Total Revenues	227,101,680	-5.9
General Business Activity		
Coal Exports (Tons)	211900	
New Corporation	862	-28.2
Dissolutions	33	
Telephones in Service	2,684,200	-3.7
Total Mortgage Loans Closed for Dec 83	267.0	143.1
Total New Cars Sold	11,865	
Total New Trucks Sold	6,071	

International	**November 1983**	
Exports, F.A.S. Value	16852.8	
Imports, Custom Value	23179.2	4.2
Merchandise Trade Balance	-6331.3	85.2

United States	**December 1983**	
Employment Statistics (000)		
Civilian Non-Institutional Population	175.1	1.1
Civilian Labor Force	112.1	1.1
Percent of the Population	64.0	
Employed	102.9	1.3
Employed/Population Percent	58.8	
Unemployed	9.2	-0.4
Unemployment Rate	8.2	
Index Numbers (1967=100)		
Consumer Price Index – All Items	303.5	
Industrial Price Index – Total Index	156.4	
Producer Price Index – Finished Goods	287.1	
12 Leading Indicators	162.9	

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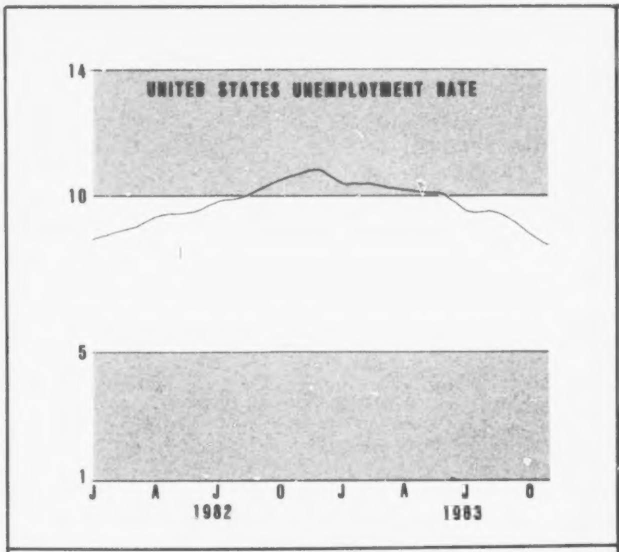

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1983	
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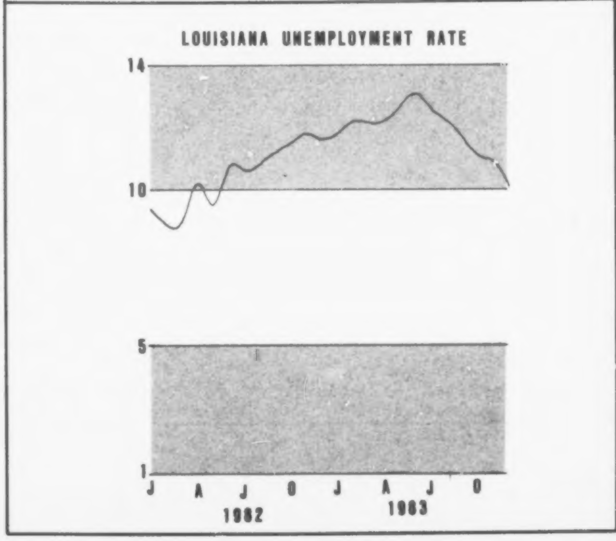

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OCT	11.5
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1983	
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FEB	12.2
MAR	12.1
APR	12.2
MAY	12.7
JUN	13.1
JUL	12.6
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Economic Report—
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1984. Productivity gains in the economy, which have been virtually zero since 1978, are expected to rise to 2.7 to 3.0% this year.

Despite all of the discussion about the Federal deficit producing high interest rates, the Federal government had a $200 billion deficit in 1983 and the interest rates today are approximately at the same level as a year ago. This is due partly to foreigners financing the U.S. deficit and partly to the internal cash flows of corporations, rather than debt, financing much of their expansion. In fact, outstanding commercial paper issued by banks declined by nearly 12 percent in 1983 and business loans made by commercial banks rose only by 4 percent.

On the negative side, the 4.5 percent annualized increase in real GNP during the fourth quarter as compared with the 7.6 percent annualized increase in the third quarter suggests that the growth rate of the national economy might be slowing down. The U.S. Leading Economic Indicator dropped two-tenths of one percent in November, and increased only six tenths of one percent in December suggesting some sluggishness in future months. The most noteworthy negative factor of the national economy has been the foreign trade deficit, which amounted to nearly $7 billion in 1983. This trade deficit is likely to continue as long as the U.S. economy remains strong and as long as the international value of the dollar remains high. One important corollary of this deficit is that all trade deficits must be financed by an inflow of funds, and this inflow is keeping U.S. interest from rising which, in turn, stimulates, the domestic economy.

The Louisiana Economic Indicator increased slightly more than one-tenth of one percent which was below the average growth rate since October, 1982. The increase in the LEI was caused primarily by increases in drilling permits. This lower growth rate in the LEI suggests that the state's economic growth rate may slow during the summer months. Louisiana's unemployment rate dropped from a revised rate of 10.9 percent in November to 10.1 percent in December. During November, Louisiana had the fifth highest unemployment rate in the country, behind West Virginia, Alabama, Michigan and Ohio. Louisiana's ranking has remained virtually the same for the past six months despite its overall downward trend.

Another indication of the slow growth of Louisiana's economy compared with the rest of the nation is that Louisiana's per capita income growth rate was the second highest among all states between 1970 and 1979; between 1979 and 1983; it was the 10th highest among the 50 states; but preliminary data suggests that the state's per capita income growth rate ranked 49th in 1983. December employment decreased in most manufacturing industries in Louisiana, except machinery, metal parts, and paper products. Employment also decreased in the state's ports, in the communications industry and in hotels. Employment rose in oil and gas extraction, state government, retail trade and banking.

Employment in the oil patch should continue to increase as well as in some sectors of the durable manufactured goods, but the seasonal decrease in the retail and wholesale trade sectors should offset this growth. We can most likely expect slight upturns in Louisiana's unemployment rate during the next month or two, followed by a gradual decrease in the rate starting in early Spring. Louisiana's unemployment rate will continue to rank among the top ten in the country during the next six months, and possibly longer.

Economic Indicators: LOUISIANA

							Growth Rate		
							Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	**Dec 83**	Same Month Prior Year	Prior Month	
EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS									
Civilian Labor Force (000)	1897.7	1909.4	1924.3	1933.9	1924.9	**1899.0**	2.4	−1.3	1.4
Total Unemployed (000)	239.3	233.1	225.5	213.9	208.9	**191.1**	−11.3	−8.5	16.5
Unemployment Rate	12.6	12.2	11.7	11.1	10.9	**10.1**	−12.9	−7.3	14.0
Unemployment Benefits Paid (000 Weeks)	307.5	342.7	273.1	248.8	259.9	**254.8**	−35.7	−2.0	15.4
New Claims (000)	41.3	44.0	32.0	35.4	43.0	**37.8**	−27.3	−12.1	6.6
Unemployment Benefits Paid ($ Million)	47.8	53.0	42.4	38.4	39.7	**38.7**	−35.4	−2.5	25.8
Exhaustions (000)	9.3	11.5	8.6	8.7	8.6	**8.0**	−19.2	−7.0	55.5
Total Number Employed (000)									
Nonagricultural	1583.5	1573.9	1587.2	1597.1	1597.1	**1580.7**	−1.6	−1.0	−1.9
Wholesale And Retail Trade	366.3	366.9	367.4	368.1	370.9	**380.1**	2.1	2.5	−0.5
Government	305.7	302.4	309.6	314.6	315.3	**320.0**	3.1	1.5	1.5
Services	306.2	306.3	307.8	308.1	307.3	**307.9**	1.0	0.2	1.5
Manufacturing	192.4	191.7	192.6	194.4	193.0	**178.4**	−10.4	−7.6	−7.3
Transportation & Public Utilities	125.4	119.1	124.0	124.1	123.9	**115.6**	−9.0	−6.7	−5.2
Construction	115.3	115.2	115.0	116.4	115.0	**115.8**	−2.6	0.7	−7.5
Finance, Insurance, And Real Estate	80.5	80.5	80.2	80.1	80.1	**83.4**	4.9	4.1	1.9
Mining	91.7	91.1	90.6	91.3	91.6	**79.5**	−16.5	−13.2	−8.2
Average Weekly Manufacturing Hours	40.4	39.6	40.5	40.2	39.6	**40.7**	−4.7	2.8	0.7
Average Weekly Manufacturing Earnings	401.17	391.25	402.17	392.75	383.72	**402.12**	0.2	4.8	4.1
REVENUE COLLECTIONS ($ MILLION)									
Severance Tax	60.4	69.1	61.6	73.8	58.8	**66.7**	−27.6	13.4	−13.0
General Sales Tax	65.0	61.1	60.5	62.7	63.4	**61.7**	6.0	−2.7	−7.7
Motor Vehicle Tax	1.9	9.7	9.1	8.8	8.2	**9.1**	18.2	11.0	−2.9
Gasoline Tax	13.1	13.4	13.8	13.6	14.0	**14.1**	12.8	0.7	0.9
Individual Income Tax	23.7	31.3	24.4	26.6	32.3	**22.6**	−10.7	−30.0	−3.2
Corporation Income Tax	3.2	7.1	45.4	8.2	10.5	**42.3**	−0.2	302.9	1.1
Corporation Franchise Tax	2.3	5.0	5.8	4.3	15.6	**1.5**	15.4	−90.4	14.5
Tobacco Tax And Permits	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.2	5.0	**5.0**	−16.7	0.0	−11.2
Alcoholic Beverages and Permits	5.2	4.3	5.1	4.3	4.3	**5.0**	0.0	16.3	−3.5
Inheritance Tax	2.2	2.3	3.8	2.5	4.6	**2.3**	−8.0	−50.0	13.9
Total Revenues	186.9	211.4	230.9	208.4	220.9	**227.1**	−9.3	2.8	−5.9
CONSTRUCTION									
Value Of Construction Contracts ($ Million)									
Residential	188.9	184.6	161.0	175.1	162.9	**145.8**	−3.4	−10.5	47.7
Nonresidential	101.0	157.0	77.2	123.2	158.7	**76.8**	−12.6	−51.6	−20.3
Nonbuilding	80.2	112.2	147.6	76.1	58.1	**62.4**	−37.9	7.4	41.7
Number Of Construction Contracts	4,066	3,442	3,454	3,885	3,661	**3,231**	15.2	−11.7	52.9
CRUDE PETROLEUM & LEASE CONDENSATE PRODUCTION									
North Louisiana (42−Gal Bbls (000))	2,945	2,945	2,790	2,914	2,790				
South Louisiana (42−Gal Bbls (000))	37,355	36,735	36,210	37,417	36,270				
GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY									
Coal Exports ((000 Tons))	633.0	556.0	765.4	804.0	422.1	**211.9**	0.0	−49.8	0.0
Dissolutions	31	40	55	32	39	**33**	−21.4	−15.4	0.0
New Corporations	1,216	1,005	1,287	727	439	**862**	−21.5	96.4	−28.2
Telephones In Service (000)	2783.0	2772.6	2752.4	2729.4	2706.9	**2684.2**	−6.6	−0.8	−3.7
Total Mortgage Loans Closed ($ Million)	218.8	257.0	266.8	252.6	251.5	**267.0**	66.3	6.2	143.1
MOTOR FUEL CONSUMPTION (MILLION GALLONS)									
Gasoline	178.9	183.3	180.6	188.4	177.3				
Highway Diesel	25.2	28.0	31.5	28.9	25.6				
Highway LPG	0.7	0.6	0.5	0.7	0.7				
Total Fuel Consumption	204.8	211.9	212.6	218.0	203.6				
VITAL STATISTICS									
Births	7,236	7,501	7,284	6,604	2,737				
Deaths	2,914	2,700	2,720	2,734	1,445				
ELECTRIC POWER GENERATION (MKWH)									
Industrial Power	865818.4	917814.6	918730.4	155331.0			0.0	−83.1	0.0
Commercial Power	500615.8	522062.4	539201.2	237540.4			0.0	−55.9	0.0
Residential Power	699975.4	788083.4	808658.7	263934.2			0.0	−67.4	0.0
Public Authorities	80144.0	85024.3	87458.9	72399.9			0.0	−17.2	0.0
Public And Street Lighting	12622.1	12940.1	13008.1	8911.5			0.0	−31.5	0.0
Total Electric Power Generatdd	2159175.7	2325924.8	2367057.3	738117.0			0.0	−68.8	0.0

PRELIMINARY FIGURES

													Growth Rate		
													Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
	Jan 83	Feb 83	Mar 83	Apr 83	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	**Dec 83**	Same Month Prior Year	Prior Month	
NEW CAR SALES															
Buick	1,068	690	1,131	1,133	1,178	1,271	1,080	1,429	1,082	1,145	1,104	**1,040**		**−5.8**	
Cadillac	415	233	446	408	409	473	411	432	435	402	416	**478**		**14.9**	
Chevrolet	1,633	967	1,642	1,658	1,864	2,079	1,581	1,850	1,541	1,664	1,666	**1,674**		**0.5**	
Chrysler	231	151	285	291	265	326	275	315	286	271	238	**245**		**2.9**	
Datsun	736	553	793	847	788	901	713	887	792	637	595	**738**		**24.0**	
Dodge	411	225	459	272	359	406	413	361	273	378	274	**338**		**23.4**	
Ford	2,013	981	1,645	1,454	1,581	1,827	1,545	1,657	1,615	2,047	1,581	**1,610**		**1.8**	
Honda	275	199	210	260	264	351	268	376	312	375	338	**391**		**15.7**	
Lincoln	330	184	207	202	226	244	234	297	310	307	294	**202**		**−31.3**	
Mazda	244	150	262	212	233	262	223	276	263	244	196	**190**		**−3.1**	
Mercury	650	421	623	642	634	668	551	733	565	613	647	**574**		**−11.3**	
Oldsmobile	1,751	1,237	1,994	1,783	1,736	2,209	1,809	2,185	1,745	1,861	1,812	**1,788**		**−1.3**	
Plymouth	200	90	227	171	205	170	149	171	137	210	217	**286**		**31.8**	
Pontiac	627	4,040	721	694	747	974	784	932	851	1,011	941	**795**		**−15.5**	
Renault	56	55	82	101	74	120	87	161	106	108	80	**102**		**27.5**	
Toyota	904	535	844	688	751	883	878	975	703	747	803	**741**		**−7.7**	
Volkswagen	92	49	81	86	88	107	68	86	87	57	69	**79**		**14.5**	
Volvo	101	59	110	123	144	148	102	169	120	116	107	**118**		**10.3**	
Others	698	302	522	485	424	585	513	466	540	476	402	**476**		**18.4**	
Total Car Sales	12,435	11,121	12,284	11,510	11,970	14,004	11,684	13,758	11,763	12,669	11,780	**11,865**		**0.7**	
NEW TRUCK SALES															
Chevrolet	1,609	917	1,633	1,659	1,648	2,061	1,701	1,926	1,652	1,802	1,795	**1,903**		**6.0**	
Datsun	199	97	173	174	181	237	243	306	251	222	118	**191**		**61.9**	
Dodge	408	242	507	532	528	644	434	529	475	455	459	**517**		**12.6**	
Ford	2,151	1,166	1,855	2,070	1,986	2,339	1,828	2,095	1,927	2,054	2,116	**2,066**		**−2.4**	
GMC	471	272	528	529	514	580	462	539	383	514	493	**500**		**1.4**	
Mazda	119	80	128	129	83	132	101	176	126	131	123	**143**		**16.3**	
Toyota	338	185	272	303	325	502	421	547	540	437	330	**393**		**19.1**	
Others	295	167	298	330	267	308	246	318	307	302	315	**358**		**13.7**	
Total Truck Sales	5,590	3,126	5,394	5,726	5,532	6,803	5,436	6,436	5,661	5,917	5,749	**6,071**		**5.6**	

Louisiana Commercial Banks
CONSOLIDATED REPORT of CONDITION
(Reported in $000)

	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982
Assets					
(01) Cash & Due from Depository Institutions	2,340,570	2,670,454	3,051,672	3,580,759	3,371,471
(02) U.S. Treasury Securities	2,085,170	2,315,003	2,909,356	3,117,612	3,522,303
(03) Obligations of Other U.S. Government Agencies	742,979	916,846	1,252,399	1,460,276	1,602,584
(04) Obligations of States & Political Subdivisions	2,113,920	2,275,896	2,696,203	2,919,235	3,400,123
(05) All Other Securities	56,881	45,863	91,182	125,129	110,451
(06) Federal Funds	1,034,971	1,667,481	1,709,128	1,879,722	2,166,342
(07) A. Loans, Total	10,235,125	11,297,112	12,436,826	14,229,669	15,434,522
B. Less: Allowance for Possible Loan Losses	107,247	125,822	144,134	168,077	189,859
C. Loans, Net	10,127,878	11,171,290	12,292,694	14,061,592	15,244,662
(08) Lease Financing Receivables	38,874	46,211	51,343	67,176	90,437
(09) Bank Premises, Furniture & Fixtures etc.	371,756	431,135	501,472	574,865	685,083
(10) Real Estate Owned Other then Bank Premises	44,093	32,625	41,217	50,810	66,282
(11) All Other Assets	294,492	331,983	418,787	564,583	634,263
(12) Total Assets	19,251,584	21,904,829	25,015,454	28,401,759	30,894,002
Liabilities					
(13) Demand Deposits of IPC	5,166,897	5,777,342	6,194,879	5,992,571	5,592,028
(14) Time & Savings Deposits of IPC	7,400,787	8,452,068	10,097,916	12,534,711	14,665,695
(15) Deposits of U.S. Government	77,745	84,161	78,064	64,372	61,240
(16) Deposits of States & Political Subdivisions	2,877,946	3,288,884	3,758,970	3,913,616	4,234,651
(17) All Other Deposits	673,392	812,600	873,247	1,056,855	1,075,071
(18) Certified & Officer's Checks	166,040	170,175	209,178	239,784	260,054
(19) Total Deposits	16,377,829	18,628,415	21,259,068	23,829,577	25,921,205
A. Total Demand Deposits	6,443,802	7,251,390	7,865,057	7,774,732	7,315,575
B. Total Time & Savings Deposits	9,884,423	11,301,083	13,343,197	15,964,174	18,555,977
C. Foreign Deposits	49,604	75,940	50,813	90,670	49,653
(20) Federal Funds	938,674	1,097,212	1,286,770	1,746,916	1,846,042
(21) Interest–Bearing Demand Notes	114,003	80,704	84,358	72,068	116,651
(22) Mortgage Indebtedness & Capitalized Leases	49,333	47,888	46,125	47,118	41,003
(23) All Other Liabilities	49,333	343,465	389,378	499,658	477,340
(24) Total Liabilities	17,757,609	20,197,687	23,065,701	26,195,337	28,402,242
(25) Subordinated Notes & Debentures	84,815	82,265	81,792	78,205	66,228
Equity Capital					
(26) Preferred Stock	1,500	1,350	649	499	349
(27) Common Stock	245,783	278,715	311,324	329,241	344,214
(28) Surplus	521,508	579,209	650,505	717,501	799,570
(29) Undivided Profits & Reserve for Contingencies	640,369	765,602	905,484	1,080,976	1,281,401
(30) Total Equity Capital	1,409,160	1,624,876	1,867,961	2,128,217	2,425,533
(31) Total Liabilities & Equity Capital	19,251,584	21,904,829	25,015,454	28,401,759	30,894,002

SOURCES & DISPOSITION of INCOME

(01) OPERATING INCOME					
A. Interest and Fees on Loans	974,557	1,277,579	1,575,634	2,096,962	2,280,369
B. Interest on Balances with Depository Institutions	12,126	17,080	36,628	77,184	86,524
C. Income on Federal Funds	70,880	136,022	238,188	306,851	247,768
D. Interest on U.S. Treasury Securities etc.	196,997	247,597	366,478	526,887	621,292
E. Interest on Obligations of States & Political Subdivisions	103,138	114,647	138,131	175,218	221,722
F. Income from all other Securities	4,563	4,187	6,853	14,743	14,253
G. Income from Lease Financing	4,335	6,376	7,381	9,643	10,596
H. Income from Fiduciary Activities	9,219	11,221	13,529	17,704	20,635
I. Service Charges on Deposit Accounts	45,756	59,965	74,559	96,980	109,935
J. Other Service Charges, Commissions, & Fees	44,846	51,717	58,318	77,598	79,420
K. Other Operating Income	15,460	20,680	23,015	29,775	32,110
L. Total Operating Income	1,481,879	1,947,070	2,538,713	3,429,546	3,724,624
(02) OPERATING EXPENSES					
A. Salaries and Employee Benefits	253,660	302,457	356,541	422,281	491,736
B. Interest on Time CDs of $100,000 or more	237,809	374,572	542,625	792,090	801,627
C. Interest on Other Deposits	343,412	441,404	606,516	930,953	1,053,650
D. Expense of Federal Funds	68,600	117,428	168,893	249,195	226,811
E. Interest on Demand Notes	2,778	7,269	8,233	11,063	9,375
F. Interest on Subordinated Notes and Debentures	5,675	7,965	8,475	8,735	7,419
G. Occupancy Expense of Bank Premises, Net	94,034	108,330	124,035	147,825	174,711
H. Provision for Possible Loan Losses	60,824	60,885	78,186	87,401	133,311
I. Other Operating Expenses	174,551	199,089	232,245	279,193	323,009
J. Total Operating Expenses	1,245,613	1,626,129	2,136,188	2,938,575	3,229,585
(03) Income Before Income Taxes & Securities Gains or Losses	236,266	320,941	402,523	490,970	495,040
(04) Applicable Income Taxes	55,625	82,295	110,536	133,580	117,618
(05) Income Before Securities Gains or Losses	180,642	238,646	291,986	357,390	377,422
(06) A. Securities Gains (Losses), Gross	−5,796	−11,769	−35,193	−54,560	−31,958
B. Applicable Income Taxes	−2,918	−5,187	−15,616	−25,121	−12,788
C. Securities Gains (Losses), Net	−2,868	−6,578	−19,573	−29,424	−19,167
(07) Net Income	177,772	232,068	272,408	327,966	358,253

SCHEDULE of LOANS

(01) Real Estate Loans	3,483,688	3,972,584	4,161,925	4,674,811	5,072,108
A. Construction & Land Development	799,224	910,270	931,449	1,115,674	1,081,324
B. Secured by Farmland	192,116	197,521	216,945	220,100	234,101
C. Secured by 1−4 Family Residential Properties	1,329,997	1,581,608	1,705,567	1,902,102	2,038,733
D. Secured by Multi−Family Residential Properties	100,574	101,127	91,091	98,065	109,730
E. Secured by Non−Farm Non−Residential Properties	1,061,777	1,182,058	1,216,873	1,338,870	1,608,220
(02) Loans to Financial Institutions	247,116	227,012	221,154	236,722	324,124
(03) Loans for Purchasing or Carrying Securities	112,969	89,781	97,846	91,375	100,241
(04) Loans to Finance Agricultural Production	261,002	235,948	274,191	307,552	297,793
(05) Commercial & Industrial Loans	3,324,392	3,671,773	4,390,927	5,162,990	5,763,911
(06) Loans to Individuals for Household, Family etc.	2,898,395	3,287,557	3,416,243	3,862,556	3,931,361
A. To Purchase Private Passenger Automobiles	1,015,171	1,121,924	1,125,650	1,164,627	1,112,141
B. Credit Cards & Related Plans	194,612	270,615	294,281	339,472	377,906
C. To Purchase Mobile Homes	318,963	362,845	383,748	462,925	485,196
D. All Other Installment Loans For Household etc.	802,511	872,619	886,595	960,457	950,374
E. Single−Payment Loans for Household, Family etc.	567,138	659,554	725,969	935,075	1,005,744
(07) All Other Loans	292,764	291,292	366,278	440,161	460,668
(08) Total Loans, Gross	10,620,326	11,775,909	12,928,564	14,776,170	15,950,208
(09) Less: Unearned Income on Loans	385,203	478,800	491,739	546,501	515,686
(10) Total Loans	10,235,125	11,297,112	12,436,826	14,229,669	15,434,522

Source: Report of Income & Report of Condition Subscription Service
Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System

General Remarks

It has been and will continue to be the objective of the *Louisiana Economic Indicators* (*LEI*) to provide the community with useful statistics in a format that facilitates their use. The *LEI* has expanded to its present size during the past year and will continue to grow as new data bases are developed. Every effort is made to have the most current data published; however, there are those "built in" lags especially with U.S. Government publications and to some extent Louisiana state agencies. This can be understood in light of the massive amounts of data that is being collected, edited, and eventually processed into a format that the *LEI* can use. Special recognition is given to the Department of Revenue and Taxation, the Department of Public Safety, Motor Vehicles Registration, the Department of Health and Human Resources, Department of Labor, and the Department of Transportation and Development. These departments have been extremely cooperative and generous with their assistance in providing the *LEI* with excellent data.

The *LEI* during the following months will be adding to its data base some of the following items:

- U.S. Government Postal Revenues from the five regional areas. The data displayed will be their format with 13 accounting periods.
- A complete profile of electrical energy consumption which will include the public utilities and the electric cooperatives. Some of the data has been displayed in this issue, but the figures are only preliminary.
- Aid to Dependent Children series will include the dollar amounts paid within the parishes as well as the number of children involved.
- MEDICAID payments by parishes.
- Food stamp program payments by parishes.
- A separate itemization of the sales taxes collected by cities and towns and school boards for new cars and trucks.
- An indepth analysis of beer consumption and the tax revenues generated.
- State Income Taxes by parish. This is tentative and may be aggregated to the SMSA levels.
- Identification of the components of local sales taxes collected by cities, towns, police juries and school boards.

The complete listing of all of the data sources is available upon request. Also, a historical summary is likewise available. The data base cutoff is 1976 with ongoing efforts to fill in all the missing data of this time interval. The New Cars and Trucks data series is complete for 1983 and a partial series is being prepared for 1982. An ambitious program is underway to secure timely, accurate construction data. This will require approximately three months before any data can be published.

Louisiana Local Sales Tax Collections

(Collections For Indicated Month Based On Sales For Preceding Month)

	Aug 83	Sep 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	Dec 83	Jan 84	Percent Change: Latest Month: Same Month Prior Year	Percent Change: Latest Month: Prior Month	Percent Change: Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
Police Juries									
Acadia Parish PJ	202,290	287,410	253,349	237,586	217,218	**313,181**			
Ascension Parish PJ	170,314	276,892	298,102	221,741					
Assumption Parish PJ	104,720	134,061	106,704	150,200	118,639	**96,777**	−16.0	−18.4	8.7
Caldwell Parish PJ	29,523	52,744	39,905	39,663	36,331				
Catahoula Parish PJ	71,149	67,655	80,379	69,821	71,443	**101,269**	**13.8**	**41.7**	−1.4
Concordia Parish PJ	38,762	55,369	58,005	63,799	77,913	**74,857**	**65.7**	**−3.9**	33.0
Lafayette Parish PJ	225,901	261,569	282,082	273,164	352,402	**350,973**	**26.6**	**−0.4**	−30.4
Lincoln Parish PJ	138,662	110,971	166,965	147,750	135,524	**161,431**	**108.0**	**19.1**	51.7
Madison Parish PJ	18,491	26,111	19,931	20,357					
Ouachita Parish PJ	232,363	227,008	275,323	223,017	204,171	**236,629**	**8.9**	**15.9**	12.5
Pointe Coupee Parish PJ	86,845	270,818	118,290	176,366	87,465	**123,771**	**−54.3**	**41.5**	−42.9
Rapides Parish PJ	649,499	885,329	768,608	767,745	755,930	**982,879**	**15.4**	**30.0**	9.4
Red River Parish PJ	29,680	38,093	48,669	30,508	33,477	**50,043**	**5.7**	**49.5**	2.4
St. Bernard Parish PJ	676,604	633,517	631,147	637,283	791,048				
Tensas Parish PJ	19,780	21,422	27,210	28,013					
Vermillion Parish PJ	301,585	385,316	500,872	275,723	260,863				
Total Sales Tax Reported	2,996,168	3,734,285	3,675,541	3,362,736	3,142,424	**2,491,810**	−21.9	−20.7	−0.2
Cities									
Abbeville	81,274	87,151	85,311	81,848	82,440	**108,626**	13.7	**31.8**	−4.5
Abita Springs	2,533	3,400	3,399	2,356	2,684				
Albany	2,686	2,833	2,638	3,589	2,590	**3,274**	**11.5**	**26.4**	4.6
Alexandria	392,264	490,334	441,562	428,499	448,123	**616,430**	**14.9**	**37.6**	10.9
Amite City	57,637	74,878	72,689	70,625	66,188	**90,737**	**11.7**	**37.1**	5.7
Angie									
Arcadia	18,950	16,143	21,987	19,650	17,932	**22,261**	**40.8**	**24.1**	6.8
Arnaudville	12,332	15,006	15,057	13,783	15,908	**11,998**	**−30.5**	**−24.6**	15.4
Baker	114,799	137,936	140,217	112,297	110,579	**222,674**	**58.0**	**101.4**	19.8
Basile	7,017	8,730	9,190	8,599	8,546	**9,660**	**−5.8**	**13.0**	−7.4
Bastrop	97,811	130,508	215,916	105,807	97,650	**117,139**	**13.2**	**20.0**	29.8
Benton						**7,762**			
Bernice	8,328	6,386	7,186	5,908	6,084	**9,182**	**14.1**	**50.9**	11.0
Bogalusa	216,139	277,845	242,933	228,942	249,182	**325,314**	**17.5**	**30.6**	17.4
Bonita	1,022	997							
Bossier City	563,757	563,395	561,641	513,731	491,721	**700,067**	**21.1**	**42.4**	32.7
Breaux Bridge	39,828	36,471	40,130	39,015	40,273	**45,619**	**12.9**	**13.3**	4.6
Broussard	17,294	43,094	24,935	19,061	25,151	**28,114**	**−43.3**	**11.8**	−31.2
Bunkie	42,870	47,464	43,639	46,964	47,815	**59,903**	**5.8**	**25.3**	4.3
Campti									
Cankton	648	804	641	611	549	**693**	**6.6**	**26.2**	−16.5
Carencro	33,422	30,486	28,667	27,872	29,240	**29,162**	**1.6**	**−0.3**	−4.8
Church Point	14,344	19,060	18,766	16,569	19,346	**24,616**	**7.9**	**27.2**	−8.0
Colfax	14,184	12,391	13,458	13,214	12,075				
Columbia	7,244	9,170	9,329	8,617	8,241	**10,285**	**6.8**	**24.8**	22.3
Cotton Valley	2,583	2,359	2,324	2,545	2,218				
Cottonport	6,526	7,318	7,700	6,430	7,917	**9,262**	**10.5**	**17.0**	3.3
Coushatta	16,403	19,638	19,139	15,531	16,670	**25,028**	**11.8**	**50.1**	−4.3
Covington	130,407	151,890	165,732						
Crowley	150,279	187,536	161,735	158,616	162,715	**223,363**	**2.3**	**37.3**	1.1
Cullen	2,725	4,753	2,728	3,677	2,824	**3,961**	**4.6**	**40.3**	3.0
Delcambre	7,130	8,670	8,712	9,635	6,103	**8,696**	**16.3**	**42.5**	−14.8
Delhi	9,193	9,616	8,621	8,961	7,571	**5,049**	**−36.0**	**−33.3**	9.7
Delta	316	306	284	1,179	258	**464**	**−48.7**	**79.8**	−13.1
Denham Springs	100,643	106,348	105,498	98,193	98,027	**133,295**	**18.4**	**36.0**	10.4
Dequincy	19,447	22,270	18,873	18,230	20,578	**46,284**	**103.8**	**124.9**	7.5
DeRidder	69,198	77,791	75,479	77,565	79,451	**101,270**	**22.3**	**27.5**	9.4
Dixie Inn	5,302	5,529	4,925	4,282	4,527	**5,359**	**28.1**	**18.4**	4.6
Donaldsonville	57,962	69,124	63,594	56,044	57,680	**95,752**	**65.6**	**66.0**	49.1
Dubach	1,557	2,211	2,159	1,906	1,559	**2,370**	**7.0**	**52.0**	3.4
Duson	14,311	15,317	15,523	10,466	20,124	**12,738**	**18.7**	**−36.7**	67.7
Elizabeth	1,059	2,216	1,230	1,580	1,016	**1,464**	**54.4**	**44.1**	0.0
Elton	2,924	3,547	4,073	3,400	2,001	**4,524**	**31.8**	**126.1**	−18.7
Erath	8,524	15,379	10,048	9,220	9,216	**11,647**	**−5.7**	**26.4**	−6.3
Estherwood	804	1,484	582	1,116	1,101	**804**	**−58.5**	**−27.0**	−5.1
Eunice	151,628	160,927	154,242	153,347	155,883	**188,096**	**0.8**	**20.7**	−8.0
EBR City/Parish	5,365,017	5,684,265	5,347,685	5,474,393	5,364,972	**6,613,858**	**10.0**	**23.3**	6.2
Farmerville	22,166	25,946	29,096	23,764	23,141	**29,309**	**1.1**	**26.7**	4.9
Ferriday	31,714	30,212	32,018	28,644	27,644	**38,642**	**3.9**	**39.8**	0.4

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Florien									
Folsom	2,958	1,621	3,446	1,695	3,119	**5,152**	**38.7**	**65.2**	**-5.3**
Franklinton	31,726	42,924	38,327	41,559	36,293	**60,843**	**41.7**	**67.6**	[illegible]
Gibsland									
Gilbert	1,781	1,642	1,465	1,424	2,220				
Glenmora	3,903	5,226	4,196	3,531	3,961	**4,120**	**-7.5**	**4.0**	**4.7**
Golden Meadow	8,055	12,195	10,367	13,449	1,228	**7,917**	**-36.6**	**544.7**	**-15.9**
Gonzales	103,073	114,228	101,066	100,955	100,543	**133,691**	**11.2**	**33.0**	**7.8**
Grambling	2,949	6,819	6,772	5,863	4,736				
Gramercy	14,532	13,917	15,215	15,106	19,917	**20,342**	**-19.2**	**2.1**	**-4.8**
Grand Coteau	2,322	3,572	2,464	2,108	2,864	**2,734**	**26.6**	**-4.5**	**10.4**
Greensburg	6,158	3,711	5,306	3,040	2,897	**6,177**	**21.9**	**113.2**	**8.9**
Gueydan	7,013	8,718	6,942	8,013	7,740	**8,200**	**-3.4**	**5.9**	**0.0**
Hall Summit	409	485	757	469	580				
Hammond	350,373	384,874	346,982	336,582	350,903	**521,850**	**21.3**	**48.7**	**63.2**
Haughton	4,695	3,539	3,789	2,545	2,341				
Haynesville	9,864	16,332	16,475	12,472	14,618	**16,717**	**-11.7**	**14.4**	**-17.8**
Henderson	5,541	7,876	4,445	5,779	3,104	**5,529**	**-46.2**	**78.1**	**-17.6**
Homer	21,088	27,365	22,576	27,733	21,771	**38,280**	**24.9**	**75.8**	**-0.2**
Iberville Parish	300,336	305,102	303,093	376,785	296,893	**512,836**	**77.7**	**72.7**	**-3.1**
Independence	10,595	11,718	11,717	15,463	12,468	**16,582**	**-8.8**	**33.0**	**11.2**
Iota	3,491	4,191	3,576	3,509	3,844	**4,449**	**1.3**	**15.7**	**-17.7**
Iowa	9,966	8,463	9,879	8,387	8,923	**9,266**	**1.5**	**3.8**	**7.9**
Jeanerette	24,120	33,983	30,506	29,547	27,994	**36,425**	**7.4**	**30.1**	**-6.0**
Jefferson Parish	4,990,467	5,135,696	4,861,221	4,999,329	5,242,113	**6,450,840**	**10.3**	**23.1**	**4.8**
Jennings	71,418	97,022	71,435	77,921	76,817	**98,930**	**0.9**	**28.8**	**-8.5**
Jonesboro	54,662	61,439	58,884	54,767	53,093	**78,802**	**11.6**	**48.4**	**6.0**
Kaplan									
Kentwood	15,899	16,523	14,960	16,477	16,253	**22,010**	**1.2**	**35.4**	**-1.4**
Kinder	15,354	17.361	15,295	16,610	15,986				
Krotz Springs	3,479	5,226	4,320	2,259	7,723	**30,983**	**357.6**	**301.2**	**34.8**
Lafayette	1,019,159	1,061,324	1,046,911	1,050,450	1,027,435	**1,474,194**	**1.8**	**43.5**	**-8.8**
Lafourche Parish	169,465	201,193	181,361	177,681	154,798	**218,320**	**-1.1**	**41.0**	**-2.9**
Lake Arthur	23,862	23,979	21,424	17,739	21,842	**24,614**	**-3.0**	**12.7**	**50.1**
Lake Charles	560,040	659,580	603,825	613,805	645,502	**793,163**	**8.4**	**22.9**	**3.6**
Lake Providence	25,776	18,335	19,691	18,347	20,095	**22,047**	**6.8**	**9.7**	**0.0**
Leesville	146,791	83,072	82,237	69,553	104,814				
Livingston	4,670	7,373	5,753	5,058	4,077	**6,909**	**-28.4**	**69.5**	**7.5**
Lockport	11,136	12,358	19,271	11,561	11,693	**16,813**	**-26.9**	**43.8**	**2.4**
Logansport									
Loreauville	3,054	3,275	3,127	3,609	2,933	**4,150**	**13.4**	**41.5**	**-16.4**
Lutcher	9,093	10,136	10,686	11,229	10,511	**10,112**	**1.8**	**-3.8**	**-2.4**
Madisonville	3,840	3,276	5,950	3,887	2,194	**6,302**			
Mamou	7,713	12,574	13,423	11,206	12,210	**22,928**	**73.2**	**87.8**	**8.3**
Mandeville	71,494	68,060	64,950	66,932	66,843	**102,360**	**80.0**	**53.1**	**34.0**
Mangham	2,339	2,458	3,405	2,966	1,792	**3,520**	**30.8**	**96.4**	**3.6**
Mansfield	49,051	37,771	43,844	45,915	42,641	**61,291**	**62.0**	**43.7**	**2.0**
Many	34,059	38,937	37,606	37,651	36,045	**51,401**	**14.1**	**42.6**	**6.4**
Marksville	45,500	45,306	47,125	47,010	47,495	**56,839**	**9.1**	**19.7**	**1.6**
Maurice	1,994	3,165	3,924	3,424	2,520	**32,750**	**950.7**	**1199.6**	**90.5**
Melville	3,735	4,724	4,035	2,887	5,022	**3,947**	**-8.1**	**-21.4**	**17.5**
Mer Rouge	4,351	7,315	5,869	6,798	4,048	**3,326**	**-2.3**	**-17.8**	**-4.6**
Mermentau	1,203	12,963	7,322	664	1,774	**1,183**	**50.7**	**-33.3**	**194.5**
Merryville	3,030	3,155	3,105	2,838	3,177	**3,352**			
Minden	74,464	111,458	90,780	82,581	79,628	**116,299**	**8.8**	**46.1**	**5.5**
Monroe	1,091,209	1,173,869	1,167,843	1,052,081	1,100,310	**1,487,852**	**92.9**	**35.2**	**81.8**
Moreauville	2,697	2,700	2,699	2,508	2,350				
Morgan City	36,511	43,760	46,122	44,823	40,894	**50,325**	**-6.8**	**23.1**	**-16.7**
Morse	1,572	1,929	1,399	2,073	1,186				
Napoleonville	4,208	5,628	6,440	4,830					
Natchitoches	230,575	214,875	227,928	201,757	224,812	**269,679**	**6.5**	**20.0**	**7.9**
New Iberia	306,121	372,165	348,088	316,350	322,676	**487,894**	**32.6**	**51.2**	**-13.7**
New Llano	6,486	5,402	4,581	3,363	6,490	**6,440**	**26.3**	**-0.8**	**17.3**
New Orleans	9,700,650	12,011,844	9,606,892	10,024,115	10,044,652	**11,834,064**	**-1.4**	**17.8**	**14.6**
New Roads	36,491	36,824	38,688	31,875	35,716	**45,635**	**55.3**	**27.8**	**26.1**
Oak Grove	19,612	22,750	20,940	19,469	18,711	**27,793**	**2.1**	**48.5**	**1.8**
Oakdale	25,778	29,710	28,452	27,759	29,280	**40,427**	**9.8**	**38.1**	**0.8**

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Oberlin	7,298	5 504	6,220	3,317	6,693	**5,496**	**−13.1**	**−17.9**	**6.6**
Oil City	6,807	12,283	9,074	9,382	8,562	**11,595**	**36.9**	**35.4**	**−0.8**
Opelousas	228,664	265,431	241,929	240,543	249,288	**336,939**	**9.2**	**35.2**	**−0.3**
Pearl River	4,764	7,394	5,593	6,234	5,480	**7,103**	**45.2**	**29.6**	**6.3**
Pine Prairie	3,819	3,985	3,257	4,400	2,920	**3,102**	**42.6**	**6.2**	**22.5**
Pineville	55,666	79,018	60,783	75,136	65,996	**74,162**	**12.0**	**12.4**	**8.3**
Plain Dealing	6,178	7,500	6,978	7,355	6,462	**8,303**	**16.4**	**28.5**	**15.4**
Plaquemine Parish CC	262,180	308,040	291,323	318,310	281,536	**357,796**	**11.7**	**27.1**	**−9.0**
Plaucheville	866	826	810	906	702	**829**	**−22.4**	**18.1**	**−18.1**
Pleasant Hill	709	2,674	1,463	1,271	1,387	**1,654**	**61.4**	**19.3**	**−15.7**
Pollock	1,156	948	1,092	1,274	1,447				
Ponchatoula	58,792	65,042	61,076	66,724	68,407	**93,107**	**7.2**	**36.1**	**40.6**
Port Allen	28,005	25,220	28,591	30,157	25,880	**23,263**	**−1.3**	**−10.1**	**0.4**
Port Barre	6,265	9,648	6,561	5,326	6,563	**7,153**	**1.6**	**9.0**	**−13.7**
Rayne	56,967	68,670	75,622	60,226	57,620	**98,867**	**2.2**	**71.6**	**−6.8**
Rayville	37,699	40,650	40,588	40,613	40,323				
Richmond	1,638	1,518	2,362	1,359	3,782	**1,642**	**−26.8**	**−56.6**	**−4.4**
Ringold	2,146	7,449	5,700	3,503					
Roseland	4,382	5,831	5,491	4,554	5,156				
Rosepine	1,201	1,699	1,572	1,384	1,323	**1,898**	**22.1**	**43.5**	**14.9**
Ruston	73,168	61,390	82,012	74,718	66,333	**85,001**	**43.2**	**28.1**	**8.2**
Sarepta	2,906	1,032	1,517	1,654	1,751	**1,738**	**71.1**	**−0.7**	**10.5**
Scott	27,682	24,584	25,994	25,225	22,096	**31,023**	**36.5**	**40.4**	**2.4**
Shreveport	1,899,359	2,604,285	2,225,916	2,121,103	2,282,723	**2,757,201**	**7.6**	**20.8**	**1.5**
Sibley	944	1,344	1,057	733	638	**1,096**	**24.0**	**71.8**	**0.0**
Simmesport	6,937	6,933	7,904	8,466	8,433	**8,491**	**57.2**	**0.7**	**0.0**
Slidell	186,398	245,069	209,180	212,461	209,767	**309,042**	**8.8**	**47.3**	**4.2**
Sorrento	2,609	2,415	2,297	2,329	2,537	**2,333**	**11.1**	**−8.0**	**11.2**
Springfield	2,132	2,843	2,116	2,263	2,313	**2,022**	**−32.8**	**−12.6**	**12.4**
Springhill	34,946	50,495	47,779	39,170	39,720	**58,666**	**6.7**	**47.7**	**4.5**
St. Charles Parish Council	360,690	251,170	365,624	379,297	266,066	**482,024**	**112.3**	**81.2**	**1.6**
St. Francisville	15,185	17,867	18,128	18,242	22,528	**25,044**	**19.3**	**11.2**	**23.1**
St. James Parish Council	187,716	281,594	201,644	345,087	263,963	**246,135**	**−51.3**	**−6.8**	**48.7**
St. Martinville	30,841	28,796	33,738	28,205	32,779	**37,665**	**−4.3**	**14.9**	**−7.1**
St. Mary Parish	861,668	636,528	908,048	761,643	918,304	**1,046,664**	**40.9**	**14.0**	**−19.7**
St. Mary Parish (Wards 1,2,3,4,7,10)	23,972	26,013	37,188	31,069	28,143	**46,683**			
St. Mary Parish (Wards 5 & 8)			29,524	31,032	30,695	**39,881**			
Sterlington									
Sulphur	235,095	254,029	223,188	221,534	221,450	**284,257**	**9.3**	**28.4**	**1.3**
Sun	362	531	561	416	3,955	**455**	**−60.4**	**−88.5**	**64.4**
Sunset	11,868	8,222	7,794	7,051	7,154	**9,192**	**−3.5**	**28.5**	**−4.5**
Tallulah	25,267	24,434	26,551	23,984	24,537	**29,143**	**0.0**	**18.8**	**0.9**
Tangipahoa	1,297	1,253	1,151	1,310	1,340	**1,322**	**−28.0**	**−1.3**	**−4.6**
Terrebonne Parish	792,127	1,006,713	938,485	878,246	971,941	**1,116,369**	**−0.0**	**14.9**	**−18.9**
Thibodaux	189,696	230,073	226,505	203,264	245,501	**272,065**	**1.9**	**10.8**	**0.4**
Tickfaw									
Vidalia	33,180	35,507	31,554	30,089	21,813	**41,140**	**−8.1**	**88.6**	**1.1**
Village Of Parks	5,253	5,593	4,491	3,715	4,532				
Ville Platte	38,532	45,390	52,830	41,049	41,564	**65,174**	**4.6**	**56.8**	**0.3**
Vinton	17,311	24,803	20,790	23,336	18,068	**24,061**	**15.7**	**33.2**	**5.3**
Vivian	23,587	29,752	26,064	26,879	26,611	**31,642**	**−0.3**	**18.9**	**7.0**
Walker	33,854	10,606	92,840	35,931	11,337				
Washington	3,863	4,149	4,086	4,834	3,572	**3,965**	**−8.8**	**11.0**	**−3.8**
Welsh	12,552	16,726	14,837	13,885	14,784	**15,309**	**2.6**	**3.6**	**−11.8**
West Ascension Parish HSD	28,452	32,589	31,618	28,273	29,871				
West Baton Rouge Parish	109,789	110,876	119,849	229,021					
West Monroe	238,948	250,715	252,834	236,470	263,308	**315,712**	**32.7**	**19.9**	**21.4**
Westlake	45,722	53,634	48,117	47,705	47,517	**60,007**	**1.9**	**26.3**	**1.4**
Winnsboro	44,166	48,278	49,275	49,047	47,232	**65,970**	**14.2**	**39.7**	**2.7**
Wisner	5,746	6,384	6,057	5,566	5,818	**7,456**	**35.0**	**28.2**	**8.3**
Youngsville	11,468	15,247	13,252	11,027	10,777	**12,637**	**−10.7**	**17.3**	**15.8**
Zachary	80,308	96,115	85,950	81,672	110,177	**147,892**	**80.4**	**34.2**	**15.4**
Total Sales Tax Reported	34,213,582	38,802,703	35,371,399	35,312,185	35,495,482	**43,903,227**	**7.4**	**23.7**	**7.3**

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School Boards									
Acadia Parish SB	204,942	309,343	255,883	253,803	238,838	**326,118**	1.2	36.5	−13.3
Allen Parish SB	78,494	66,410	89,781	80,283	77,967	**105,816**	−25.1	35.7	−3.5
Ascension Parish SB	734,813	827,726	883,931	802,979	689,970	**927,139**	23.9	34.4	0.2
Assumption Parish SB	195,515	247,290	210,347	243,154	225,077	**195,260**	−6.4	−13.2	10.3
Avoyelles Parish SB	171,019	221,522	214,377	204,304	197,415	**246,082**	8.7	24.7	−1.4
Beauregard Parish SB	160,663	172,055	160,057	164,836	144,536	**220,502**	2.4	52.6	14.7
Bienville Parish SB	54,706	286,742	75,421	131,844	69,205	**85,122**	−15.6	23.0	23.5
Bogalusa/Washington Parish									
Bossier Parish SB	563,024	861,021	742,371	687,575	650,318	**933,133**	22.4	43.5	5.7
Caddo Parish SB	1,461,574	2,049,943	1,748,308	1,631,260	1,833,632	**2,095,412**	6.7	14.3	−1.3
Calcasieu Parish SB	1,319,102	1,280,037	1,272,840	1,252,735	1,239,239	**1,727,808**	10.3	39.4	−3.7
Caldwell Parish SB	29,523	52,744	39,905	39,663	36,331		18.5	−8.4	16.4
Catahoula Parish SB	39,990	56,626	55,061						
Claiborne Parish SB	91,355	89,032	96,285	167,370	54,838	**101,549**	20.8	85.2	8.3
Concordia Parish SB	105,623	117,723	128,030	119,467	117,278	**139,206**	17.1	18.7	14.0
Desoto Parish SB	156,819	226,043	179,504	209,224	179,504	**245,299**	47.6	36.7	9.9
East Baton Rouge Parish SB	2,978,455	2,806,706	2,854,178	2,838,994	3,480,580				
East Carroll Parish SB	38,698	42,840	42,913	43,439	33,268	**39,554**	10.5	18.9	5.0
East Feliciana Parish SB	81,078	172,154	166,034	147,848	140,246	**197,319**	19.4	40.7	−0.6
Evangeline Parish SB	87,674	137,091	129,384	114,599	113,492	**158,016**	6.6	39.2	−5.8
Franklin Parish SB	95,100	118,928	141,902	120,888	9,707	**271,445**	13.7	2696.4	0.7
Grant Parish SB	34,973	37,895	35,759	33,552	32,406				
Iberia Parish SB	506,134	469,753	522,297	497,677	491,470	**611,049**	−12.1	24.3	−21.2
Iberville Parish SB	300,349	305,099	303,088	376,773	296,833	**512,793**	77.6	72.8	−3.0
Jackson Parish SB	103,529	246,153	147,240	153,593	156,372	**209,713**	−17.2	34.1	19.3
Jefferson Davis Parish SB	142,636	194,921	211,951	163,627	163,132	**203,234**	−11.4	24.6	−8.4
Jefferson Parish SB	5,029,168	5,174,033	4,899,123						
Lafayette Parish SB	1,336,186	1,436,786	1,423,906	1,407,025	1,470,889	**1,927,707**	4.5	31.1	−14.1
Lafourche Parish SB	459,784	557,657	499,478	472,073	420,230	**639,570**	0.4	52.2	−3.0
Lasalle Parish SB	58,658	99,869	98,514	82,654	73,750	**115,152**	38.7	56.1	−1.3
Lincoln Parish SB	184,882	147,961	222,620	197,000	180,698	**215,241**	38.6	19.1	4.4
Livingston Parish SB	402,584	536,264	552,827	645,565	447,372	**712,658**	44.5	59.3	19.9
Madison Parish SB	55,000	69,000	70,000	64,000	68,000	**71,000**	7.6	4.4	−3.4
Monroe SB	161,956	168,617	176,793	156,712	159,495	**202,011**	15.1	26.7	12.4
Morehouse Parish SB	126,106	144,342	250,324	119,968	116,683	**138,753**	10.0	18.9	16.0
Natchitoches Parish SB	137,423	223,696	188,187	160,734	190,290	**223,427**	13.0	17.4	12.3
Orleans Parish SB	4,330,316	4,692,289	4,024,116	4,282,136	4,499,251	**5,200,828**	1.1	15.6	
Ouachita Parish SB	264,244	275,112	288,451	255,688	260,228	**329,596**	15.1	26.7	12.4
Plaquemine Parish SB	262,180	308,040	291,323	318,310	281,536	**357,796**	11.7	27.1	−9.0
Pointe Coupee Parish SB	86,845	236,811	104,442	159,435	72,898	**108,433**	−56.7	48.7	−43.3
Red River Parish SB	43,621	33,519	34,682	46,677	31,137	**45,590**	54.8	46.4	−5.2
Richland Parish SB	99,186	147,928	140,277	117,560	48,976	**227,176**	10.3	363.9	−1.0
Sabine Parish SB	79,521	130,622	108,473	101,781	91,336	**125,049**	−10.7	36.9	3.4
St. Bernard Parish SB	676,604	633,517	631,147	637,283	791,049				
St. Charles Parish SB	869,492	515,887	761,009	784,582	539,520	**978,447**	34.7	81.4	−22.6
St. Helena Parish SB	16,156	41,228	36,978	25,030	21,281	**35,635**	20.7	67.4	14.1
St. James Parish SB	423,172	618,610	455,133	743,311	588,889	**553,837**	−49.0	−6.0	41.4
St. John Parish SB	299,664	565,827	465,820	440,408	501,283	**528,831**	4.6	5.5	1.9
St. Landry Parish SB	302,669	388,480	369,316	365,659	389,733	**550,003**	16.6	41.1	−15.3
St. Martin Parish SB	183,138	192,557	209,700	177,304	172,136	**221,548**	9.2	28.7	−5.5
St. Mary Parish SB	467,904	345,594	493,044	413,615	498,417	**567,912**	40.8	13.9	−19.4
St. Tammany Parish SB	1,037,815	1,320,159	1,438,432	1,607,800	1,324,450	**1,641,849**	12.1	24.0	16.4
Tangipahoa Parish SB	330,601	489,246	394,373	786,778	775,252	**1,022,640**	131.5	31.9	33.6
Tensas Parish SB	22,638	32,804	33,237	33,332	25,291	**40,116**	31.1	58.6	3.9
Terrebonne Parish SB	475,276	604,028	563,091	526,947	583,165	**669,821**	−0.0	14.9	−18.9
Union Parish SB	49,975	[illegible],746	77,117	67,309	67,946	**83,600**	12.6	23.0	5.4
Vermillion Parish SB	301,590	385,316	500,880	275,729	260,869				
Vernon Parish SB	169,841	160,734	155,042	149,314	191,697				
Washington Parish SB	98,336	189,266	139,433	142,116	130,605	**174,941**	44.9	33.9	3.2
Webster Parish SB	193,963	204,706	221,442	189,430	189,548	**246,366**	−0.0	30.0	−0.2
West Baton Rouge Parish SB	109,785	110,876	119,850	270,160	102,361	**179,090**	11.1	75.0	2.7
West Carroll Parish SB	37,739	50,996	43,878	45,166	6,745	**79,634**	−1.6	1080.6	−5.0
West Feliciana Parish SB	222,382	192,033	240,975	396,226	299,697	**216,352**	−69.7	−27.8	−32.1
Winn Parish SB	62,342	104,661	81,946	77,514	78,147	**91,439**	−0.4	17.0	8.9
Total Sales Tax Reported	29,204,530	33,003,914	31,512,226	27,221,818	26,622,504	**27,934,864**	−22.1	4.9	−0.2

Louisiana State Sales Tax Collections by Commodity

(Collections For Indicated Month Based On Sales For Preceding Month)

							Growth Rate		
							Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	**Dec 83**	**Same Month Prior Year**	**Prior Month**	
Grocery Stores	2,203,238	2,179,720	2,074,420	2,539,366	2,221,587	**1,977,189**	**7.9**	**−11.0**	**6.9**
Fruit and Vegetable Stores	100,892	84,733	101,071	103,624	107,451	**101,354**	**16.6**	**−5.7**	**5.9**
Meat and Seafood Stores	310,571	263,340	274,110	292,811	266,842	**263,501**	**1.0**	**−1.3**	**0.3**
Restaurants and Cafes	2,448,219	2,627,414	2,381,467	2,562,257	2,464,345	**2,325,439**	**11.0**	**−5.6**	**6.4**
Saloons/ Bars/ Package Liquors	2,603,515	2,108,005	2,285,879	2,299,644	2,095,041	**2,563,115**	**7.7**	**22.3**	**0.9**
Dairy/ Egg/ Poultry	156,518	151,651	164,008	151,613	243,735	**147,434**	**17.3**	**−39.5**	**12.5**
Bakeries	58,455	44,219	46,943	44,143	62,961	**51,300**	**9.6**	**−18.5**	**−5.2**
Chain Stores (Food)	493,115	608,621	350,943	515,773	573,775	**470,094**	**−16.8**	**−18.1**	**−0.8**
Other Foods	1,188,487	1,123,039	1,208,342	1,307,896	1,139,907	**1,160,081**	**13.7**	**1.8**	**3.0**
Men and Boy's Clothing	281,269	222,985	244,238	216,735	241,028	**289,674**	**2.2**	**20.2**	**−2.6**
Women's Ready To Wear	521,650	506,532	539,816	518,776	582,173	**603,414**	**5.5**	**3.6**	**−0.1**
Millinery	523,652	372,807	397,947	485,446	416,761	**552,150**	**2.9**	**32.5**	**9.0**
Shoe Stores	500,931	508,396	636,985	521,587	562,579	**569,581**	**−51.0**	**1.2**	**−32.2**
Salvage Clothing	4,136	5,219	3,674	6,297	4,817	**4,940**	**24.1**	**2.6**	**59.4**
Children's Clothing	35,231	42,050	45,278	48,603	38,369	**45,548**	**16.0**	**18.7**	**2.5**
Other Apparel	533,112	580,140	600,533	593,642	604,174	**692,460**	**28.5**	**14.6**	**2.6**
Department Stores	2,257,764	2,015,170	2,403,533	2,189,072	1,912,113	**3,184,385**	**46.3**	**66.5**	**25.7**
Country and Farm Stores	8,569	8,383	9,263	8,528	6,971	**7,464**	**−13.8**	**7.1**	**−10.9**
Variety Stores	1,703,787	1,545,790	1,689,451	1,602,654	1,746,422	**1,969,088**	**8.1**	**12.7**	**2.6**
Drug Stores	904,254	924,386	919,526	891,906	845,578	**944,354**	**12.2**	**11.7**	**5.5**
Jewelry/ Leather/ Sporting Goods	1,080,706	963,003	1,022,411	1,038,522	1,050,996	**1,445,557**	**9.8**	**37.5**	**12.8**
Feed and Seed	136,969	143,711	103,878	127,964	108,863	**101,558**	**4.9**	**−6.7**	**−1.3**
Hardware Stores	1,169,712	1,058,967	1,138,378	1,084,444	1,045,816	**1,048,337**	**3.8**	**0.2**	**−7.3**
Farm Implement Dealers	572,445	532,144	593,058	621,340	600,726	**453,304**	**−1.3**	**−24.5**	**−14.4**
Chain Stores (General Merchandise)	1,741,634	1,748,110	2,013,036	1,645,286	1,812,806	**2,479,241**	**9.9**	**36.8**	**0.6**
Other General Merchandise	947,060	725,512	812,534	893,893	877,332	**1,054,090**	**1.3**	**20.1**	**−8.4**
Motor Vehicle Dealers	686,317	773,337	784,604	674,785	688,514	**645,397**	**0.3**	**−6.3**	**−2.2**
Auto Parts/ Tires/ Etc.	1,988,516	1,813,488	1,890,690	1,973,669	1,854,436	**1,719,541**	**6.7**	**−7.3**	**1.0**
Service Stations	769,057	683,978	679,481	838,686	751,106	**649,711**	**−45.9**	**−13.5**	**2.8**
Garages/ Repair Shops	896,974	780,137	768,532	964,354	716,501	**700,946**	**9.5**	**−2.2**	**−4.1**
Diesel Fuel/ Fuel Oil	47,794	33,039	37,194	53,574	121,112	**44,889**	**60.1**	**−62.9**	**22.8**
Marine Supplies	171,854	149,954	125,558	137,519	117,145	**89,047**	**-33.6**	**−24.0**	**−31.0**
Motor Boats/ Etc.	130,694	110,003	79,673	76,499	69,328	**75,359**	**−20.8**	**8.7**	**−15.8**
Aircraft/ Etc.	44,040	37,284	26,193	38,971	55,848	**36,715**	**31.6**	**−34.3**	**−34.4**
Chain Stores (Automotive)	2,957,771	571,606	896,699	650,092	1,094,727	**859,050**	**−3.7**	**−21.5**	**13.4**
Other Automotive	106,504	73,587	110,685	80,074	46,123	**97,307**	**31.1**	**111.0**	**−14.4**
Furniture Stores	713,700	674,287	663,397	637,567	681,761	**750,063**	**12.4**	**10.0**	**1.4**
Electric and Gas Appliances	1,189,537	1,097,488	1,144,354	1,245,447	1,006,773	**1,185,290**	**17.5**	**17.7**	**9.9**
Butane Dealers	513,165	566,230	674,536	660,303	760,979	**671,508**	**−8.1**	**−11.8**	**−28.8**
Store/ Office Furniture	825,149	707,727	1,167,559	1,118,095	1,240,796	**1,117,846**	**58.0**	**−9.9**	**1.6**
Hotel/ Restaurant Supplies	171,097	206,807	218,803	191,785	208,761	**1,937,020**	**765.4**	**827.9**	**68.2**
Awnings/ Blinds/ Upholstery	261,495	270,494	263,658	284,031	261,521	**281,771**	**34.8**	**7.7**	**-4.9**
Dental/ Medical Supplies	371,223	517,591	389,884	428,115	291,454	**376,568**	**55.3**	**29.2**	**16.9**
Safes/ Locks	28,054	35,382	31,563	35,357	39,896	**31,624**	**−1.8**	**−20.7**	**−2.8**
Other Furniture	303,797	254,943	251,416	301,988	256,948	**261,272**	**27.0**	**1.7**	**16.4**
Building Contractors/ Construction	180,059	194,884	178,638	263,647	217,648	**147,167**	**−7.5**	**−32.4**	**−22.6**
Lumber/ Paint/ Wallpaper Stores	4,028,518	3,883,894	3,873,368	3,780,609	4,305,336	**3,669,013**	**27.5**	**−14.8**	**15.6**
Electric /Plumbing /Elevators /Heating Materials	2,174,641	2,038,549	2,037,835	2,028,914	2,196,991	**1,956,713**	**5.8**	**−10.9**	**−11.3**
Oil Well Equipment	2,177,139	1,778,620	1,941,471	1,839,756	2,158,244	**2,270,549**	**20.0**	**5.2**	**−49.8**
Contractors (Electrical, Etc.)	176,340	195,022	184,098	182,508	189,634	**173,989**	**1.3**	**−8.3**	**−7.7**
Contractors (Paint)	13,242	8,686	10,617	12,607	12,449	**9,187**	**−13.4**	**−26.2**	**−10.2**
Contractors (Roofing and Sheet Metal)	50,467	41,054	62,588	40,360	42,127	**38,139**	**−4.9**	**−9.5**	**13.0**
Trucks/ Dragline/ Etc.	1,872,208	1,880,577	1,555,650	1,845,219	1,693,732	**1,593,086**	**17.9**	**−5.9**	**−20.0**
Other Contractors	533,934	471,206	344,174	451,312	398,332	**322,440**	**−24.4**	**−19.1**	**−15.6**
Hotels/ Motels/ Etc.	934,066	825,826	864,843	761,335	896,823	**847,472**	**−3.9**	**−5.5**	**−1.1**
Leasing/ Renting	1,545,839	2,958,169	1,430,989	1,555,809	2,271,185	**1,468,478**	**3.6**	**−35.3**	**−13.0**
Bowling/ Billiards	10,978	10,570	12,979	14,680	13,988	**13,485**	**22.1**	**−3.6**	**7.0**
Laundry/ Tailoring	265,484	251,364	262,205	281,928	280,818	**276,257**	**7.2**	**−1.6**	**0.9**
Newspapers/ Printing	606,525	590,382	645,373	691,606	648,063	**614,192**	**3.6**	**−5.2**	**−5.4**
Warehouses	48,378	36,499	33,373	38,650	30,199	**32,339**	**−39.5**	**7.1**	**19.4**
Shoe Repair/ Shine	15,849	10,486	12,255	16,464	13,084	**15,206**	**14.9**	**16.2**	**1.3**
Machine Shops/ Welding	586,758	409,886	521,287	557,919	530,662	**533,478**	**5.2**	**0.5**	**−26.2**
Other Service Groups	682,008	620,255	600,691	615,651	534,105	**521,841**	**28.0**	**−2.3**	**6.7**
Beverage Bottlers	467,228	439,017	524,574	538,419	408,405	**364,178**	**−0.4**	**−10.8**	**1.0**
Sugar Refineries	3,711	14,214	8,070	8,932	10,559	**4,859**	**−67.4**	**−54.0**	**−33.2**
Petroleum/ Natural Gas	166,281	93,185	119,746	142,431	107,265	**104,268**	**−30.5**	**−2.8**	**2.6**
Petroleum Refineries	259,086	226,797	198,514	260,646	244,398	**254,718**	**−18.9**	**4.2**	**−59.8**

Louisiana State Sales Tax Collection

(Collections For Indicated Month Based On Sales For Preceding Month)

							Growth Rate		
							Latest Month		**Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months**
	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	**Dec 83**	**Same Month Prior Year**	**Prior Month**	
Sawmills/ Sash & Door	6,962	5,509	7,609	7,859	9,026	**8,025**	**−76.1**	**−11.1**	**−62.0**
Sand and Gravel	247,972	298,457	299,846	358,084	300,530	**301,084**	**44.7**	**0.2**	**−2.4**
Rice Mills	1,443	14,542	2,960	1,001	1,387	**1,495**	**92.4**	**7.8**	**192.2**
Cotton Seed Oil	2,564	1,456	1,866	1,406	1,944	**2,008**	**7.7**	**3.3**	**24.0**
Ice Manufacture	28,326	31,942	31,110	25,670	23,254	**13,191**	**−10.3**	**−43.3**	**−9.1**
Other Manufacturers	4,712,448	4,972,235	4,568,215	4,912,599	5,269,063	**4,683,711**	**−14.4**	**−11.1**	**−23.4**
Trucking/ Freight/ Etc.	664	2,177	1,618	984	7,995	**2,375**	**98.1**	**−70.3**	**29.2**
Fire Protection	21,829	17,506	21,511	26,441	20,904	**21,156**	**1.0**	**1.2**	**−8.5**
Pipelines	1,270	2,398	542	1,032	626	**1,364**	**−61.7**	**117.9**	**−6.3**
Light/ Power/ Gas	96,055	69,628	80,169	65,589	68,772	**85,489**	**15.1**	**24.3**	**−12.7**
Telephone/ Telegraph	8,442	8,992	8,448	6,869	7,185	**7,053**	**−25.3**	**−1.[illegible]**	**−11.1**
Other Utilities	332,406	69,164	44,717	383,979	257,874	**57,558**	**27.7**	**−77.[illegible]**	**132.8**
Book Stores/ Etc.	306,177	234,474	304,357	388,871	280,072	**278,815**	**−16.0**	**−0.4**	**−13.1**
Itinerant Vendors	10,665	8,489	9,342	9,527	8,327	**8,176**	**−3.6**	**−1.8**	**−18.1**
Piano/ Musical Instruments	273,081	243,432	274,200	315,161	236,574	**238,212**	**−29.8**	**0.7**	**−9.7**
Iron/ Sheet Metal/ Etc.	45,810	38,149	40,733	52,558	51,821	**38,492**	**5.6**	**−25.7**	**−25.4**
Photo Studios	281,115	204,342	237,509	255,222	230,369	**245,783**	**18.3**	**6.7**	**1.5**
Cigar Stores/ News	540,039	481,422	496,193	537,202	492,774	**471,802**	**−1.5**	**−4.3**	**8.8**
Florists/ Nurseries	219,725	163,719	164,124	208,626	204,098	**180,715**	**5.8**	**−11.5**	**1.9**
Funeral Parlors	104,049	94,757	96,757	99,080	101,249	**97,465**	**13.3**	**−3.7**	**7.8**
Fishing Bait	126,828	109,545	121,223	141,343	194,620	**216,606**	**51.0**	**11.3**	**13.8**
Miscellaneous	5,875,798	6,278,570	5,640,337	5,934,785	6,294,754	**4,858,012**	**8.1**	**−22.8**	**43.7**
Common Carriers	281,620	249,664	255,981	290,691	236,225	**271,636**	**12.1**	**15.0**	**−29.8**

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HISTORICAL SUMMARY

LOUISIANA STATESALES TAX COLLECTIONS BY COMMODITY (BASED ON SALES FOR PRECEDING MONTH)

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Chain Stores (Furniture)												
1980	$0	0	0	0	0	0	932	420	763	368	1,769	569
1981	$175	316	877	530	289	1,123	2,067	542	333	455	414	1,256
1982	$1,366	179	499	160	628	641	1,382	204	952	974	251	411
1983	$1,262	864	743	430	54	1,821	1,123	1,623	890	921	0	951
Other Furniture												
1980	$0	0	0	0	0	0	180,179	153,070	158,038	180,452	130,231	224,029
1981	$220,669	164,105	173,639	262,012	191,842	208,344	234,672	220,470	214,804	204,896	180,517	191,870
1982	$293,763	204,139	200,996	247,167	202,951	208,324	257,452	204,985	250,788	245,936	212,116	205,672
1983	$289,692	209,169	264,698	299,633	233,912	254,280	303,797	254,943	251,416	301,988	256,948	261,272
Building Contractors/ Construction												
1980	$0	0	0	0	0	0	203,993	329,649	192,473	240,477	137,957	274,419
1981	$243,025	170,186	224,559	314,969	217,438	215,592	264,606	390,363	294,960	236,575	255,210	283,601
1982	$221,616	312,679	222,081	248,082	219,254	232,658	330,721	200,172	148,162	206,792	192,185	159,109
1983	$139,667	113,785	136,296	202,165	142,462	168,890	180,059	194,884	178,638	263,647	217,648	147,167
Lumber/ Paint/ Wallpaper Stores												
1980	$0	0	0	0	0	0	3,290,588	2,922,666	3,329,718	3,196,312	2,598,663	2,742,973
1981	$3,108,513	2,758,162	2,772,138	3,403,232	3,485,115	3,481,490	3,417,935	3,558,850	3,354,044	3,316,856	3,289,483	2,829,977
1982	$3,037,684	2,271,445	2,655,168	3,305,398	3,194,497	3,170,707	3,420,841	3,198,738	3,081,917	3,366,839	3,251,279	2,876,989
1983	$2,737,835	2,748,303	2,618,826	3,528,072	3,495,955	3,925,599	4,028,518	3,883,894	3,873,368	3,780,609	4,305,336	3,669,013
Electric /Plumbing /Elevators /Heat												
1980	$0	0	0	0	0	0	2,401,577	1,961,471	2,447,701	2,240,754	1,235,342	3,180,680
1981	$2,204,359	1,880,409	2,647,004	2,219,207	2,418,691	2,211,229	3,146,564	2,377,263	2,403,929	2,495,965	2,248,587	2,048,448
1982	$2,371,180	1,803,026	1,972,633	2,306,647	2,089,655	2,088,151	2,775,499	2,055,331	1,968,213	3,724,626	1,958,496	1,849,210
1983	$2,023,905	1,748,215	2,132,393	1,684,751	1,809,372	2,071,386	2,174,641	2,038,549	2,037,835	2,028,914	2,196,991	1,956,713
Oil Well Equipment												
1980	$0	0	0	0	0	0	4,823,540	4,048,424	4,782,492	4,731,206	3,513,669	6,436,516
1981	$5,324,402	5,482,625	4,552,363	5,811,108	5,399,985	5,432,106	6,270,504	5,857,618	6,113,333	6,015,762	5,996,434	5,444,216
1982	$7,411,157	5,457,313	4,893,859	5,538,385	4,552,175	3,850,932	3,612,882	2,608,190	3,952,266	2,806,021	2,628,974	1,891,501
1983	$2,570,123	2,585,374	2,164,225	2,055,398	1,540,421	1,620,643	2,177,139	1,778,620	1,941,471	1,839,756	2,158,244	2,270,549
Contractors (Electrical, Etc.)												
1980	$0	0	0	0	0	0	213,428	158,993	188,731	176,101	88,668	242,050
1981	$184,800	166,306	245,237	217,085	219,236	197,413	237,860	248,504	246,891	238,537	196,523	151,421
1982	$187,959	171,010	194,570	216,194	214,721	198,090	213,820	172,607	172,429	208,066	162,359	171,840
1983	$158,202	179,744	162,104	179,808	154,920	171,901	176,340	195,022	184,098	182,508	189,634	173,989
Contractors (Paint)												
1980	$0	0	0	0	0	0	13,719	13,195	10,904	12,731	13,396	9,714
1981	$14,570	10,310	10,891	12,109	13,282	12,793	12,577	13,017	12,343	14,186	10,754	8,963
1982	$16,351	6,765	11,909	11,761	14,792	13,191	12,343	10,812	12,514	14,314	11,132	10,604
1983	$11,495	10,081	9,795	11,302	11,693	10,394	13,242	8,686	10,617	12,607	12,449	9,187

NEW ORLEANS AREA

							Growth Rate		
							Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	Dec 83	Same Month Prior Year	Prior Month	
EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS									
Total Civilian Labor Force (000)	520.6	523.1	519.4	526.3	530.5	**525.9**	**2.4**	**−0.9**	**0.8**
Total Employed (000)	463.2	465.7	463.9	473.7	478.4	**478.9**	**3.7**	**0.1**	**−0.6**
Total Unemployed (000)	57.4	57.4	55.5	52.6	52.1	**47.0**	**−8.6**	**−9.8**	**14.1**
Unemployment Rate	11.0	11.0	11.2	10.0	9.8	**8.9**	**−11.0**	**−9.2**	**13.3**
Average Weekly Manufacturing Earnings	347.90	340.96	358.68	352.30	359.58	**363.78**	**−5.2**	**1.2**	**−1.0**
Average Weekly Manufacturing Hours	38.4	37.8	39.2	38.8	39.0	**38.7**	**−4.9**	**−0.8**	**0.3**
CONSTRUCTION									
Highway Construction Contracts ($ Million)	347.84	401.55	388.32	386.59	313.85			**−18.8**	
Value Of Construction Contracts ($ Million)									
Residential	61.6	39.6	45.4	43.8	33.6	**23.1**	**−56.4**	**−31.3**	**60.7**
Nonresidential	24.7	25.2	40.1	54.9	86.2	**30.1**	**−8.2**	**−65.1**	**−18.8**
Number Of Construction Contracts	974	812	1,393	1,081	780	**583**	**6.4**	**−25.3**	**93.9**
GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY									
Airline Cargo (Tons)	1,555	1,670	1,649	1,533	1,652	**2,006**	**25.7**	**21.4**	**5.7**
Airline Passenger Boardings (000)	255	245	218	263	249	**232**	**−0.4**	**−6.8**	**0.7**
Attendance Of Conventions And Meetings	36,487	43,612	37,598	74,212	47,889	**27,610**	**29.5**	**−42.3**	**−14.0**
Ocean Shipments (000 (Tons))	1352.0	1321.7	1364.7	1313.9	1549.7	**1536.6**	**28.8**	**−0.8**	**−6.6**
Telephones In Service (000)	923.0	915.9	909.2	900.3	891.2	**883.7**	**−7.8**	**−0.8**	**−3.9**
Total Mortgage Loans Closed ($ Million)	113.4	142.1	167.7	149.2	137.5	**147.5**	**118.8**	**7.3**	**147.1**
VITAL STATISTICS									
Births	2,023	2,078	1,967	1,881	994		**−48.2**	**−47.2**	
Deaths	686	609	622	591	511		**−17.4**	**−13.5**	
REVENUE COLLECTIONS									
Retail Sales Tax – State	16,734,136	17,143,443	16,149,689	16,638,768	16,811,742	**16,546,132**	**8.2**	**−1.6**	**−1.2**

NEW CARS & TRUCK SALES

													Growth Rate		
													Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
	Jan 83	Feb 83	Mar 83	Apr 83	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	Dec 83	Same Month Prior Year	Prior Month	
NEW CAR SALES															
Buick	272	195	286	333	334	352	331	435	295	348	327	**314**		**−4.0**	
Cadillac	126	65	134	118	157	131	145	148	131	117	135	**164**		**21.5**	
Chevrolet	364	230	468	399	517	498	405	547	384	429	476	**494**		**3.8**	
Chrylser	55	31	50	66	58	67	68	70	65	82	58	**45**		**−22.4**	
Datsun	298	225	307	268	322	312	265	329	277	198	186	**317**		**70.4**	
Dodge	142	67	137	82	143	193	168	168	132	120	132	**145**		**9.8**	
Ford	543	275	501	421	513	580	589	583	724	608	420	**506**		**20.5**	
Honda	101	74	62	114	84	132	80	133	114	122	105	**164**		**56.2**	
Lincoln	142	53	69	59	70	80	68	91	86	101	117	**61**		**−47.9**	
Mazda	97	51	64	66	76	73	72	101	80	62	69	**53**		**−23.2**	
Mercury	168	134	150	205	191	196	144	196	141	139	163	**156**		**−4.3**	
Oldsmobile	450	296	530	411	520	617	638	613	366	483	504	**451**		**−10.5**	
Plymouth	54	17	51	38	88	41	58	52	43	52	52	**47**		**−9.6**	
Pontiac	148	99	178	153	155	179	163	204	152	205	192	**185**		**−3.6**	
Renault	33	20	43	65	52	81	45	75	39	54	42	**52**		**23.8**	
Toyota	351	210	301	235	254	333	327	338	222	242	261	**254**		**−2.7**	
Volkswagen	35	23	33	28	39	47	37	33	41	32	29	**28**		**−3.4**	
Volvo	31	26	40	47	62	59	37	40	33	36	30	**37**		**23.3**	
Other	114	122	209	171	198	237	167	214	219	181	171	**208**		**21.6**	
Total Car Sales	3,524	2,213	3,613	3,279	3,833	4,208	3,807	4,370	3,544	3,611	3,469	**3,681**		**6.1**	
NEW TRUCK SALES															
Chevrolet	274	147	288	327	313	322	300	441	296	337	319	**395**		**23.8**	
Datsun	52	20	47	33	43	52	75	72	58	43	16	**62**		**287.5**	
Dodge	88	60	101	120	135	198	143	142	111	104	110	**126**		**14.5**	
Ford	476	266	518	547	560	649	503	559	499	514	493	**482**		**−2.2**	
GMC	36	23	48	73	53	68	47	52	48	49	41	**34**		**−17.1**	
Mazda	26	24	27	31	11	26	18	35	26	14	17	**29**		**70.6**	
Toyota	79	42	64	86	67	141	120	142	131	73	67	**114**		**70.1**	
Other	73	36	61	96	68	69	46	73	63	76	95	**100**		**5.3**	
Total Truck Sales	1,104	618	1,154	1,313	1,250	1,525	1,252	1,516	1,232	1,210	1,158	**1,342**		**15.9**	

BATON ROUGE AREA

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	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	**Dec 83**	**Growth Rate**		
							Latest Month		**Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months**
							Same Month Prior Year	**Prior Month**	
EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS									
Total Civilian Labor Force (000)	235.8	237.0	241.0	243.5	244.9	**243.6**	**4.8**	**−0.5**	**3.2**
Total Employed (000)	210.1	212.2	217.4	220.9	222.9	**223.9**	**6.6**	**0.4**	**2.2**
Total Unemployed (000)	25.7	24.8	23.6	22.6	22.0	**19.7**	**−12.1**	**−10.5**	**12.5**
Unemployment Rate	10.9	10.5	9.8	9.3	9.0	**8.1**	**−15.6**	**−10.0**	**9.5**
Average Weekly Manufacturing Earnings	489.41	483.11	483.00	484.50	470.11	**484.55**	**0.5**	**3.1**	**2.7**
Average Weekly Manufacturing Hours	42.3	41.9	42.0	42.8	42.2	**41.7**	**−3.0**	**−1.2**	**1.5**
CONSTRUCTION									
Highway Construction Contracts ($ Million)	36.85	36.36	37.16	31.78	33.20				
Value Of Construction Contracts ($ Million)									
Residential	23.6	56.1	39.2	43.4	38.0	**28.7**	**37.3**	**−24.5**	**117.3**
Nonresidential	13.0	13.1	13.8	26.7	32.4	**15.9**	**69.1**	**−50.9**	**61.9**
Number Of Construction Contracts	647	960	647	969	675	**474**	**−36.8**	**−29.8**	**57.5**
GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY									
Airline Cargo (Tons)	135	114	125	126	133	**126**	**3.3**	**−5.3**	**5.6**
Airline Passenger Boardings (000)	27.0	26.0	23.3	24.1	24.5	**23.5**	**11.4**	**−4.1**	**8.2**
Classified Advertisement Linage (000)	1433.3	1436.0	1221.6	1303.7	1290.0	**1167.5**	**20.1**	**−9.5**	**8.1**
Classified Advertisement Count (000)	107.9	111.6	105.5	109.5	100.1	**94.7**	**12.5**	**−5.4**	**8.8**
VITAL STATISTICS									
Births	896	917	898	756	224		**−73.3**	**−70.4**	
Deaths	255	235	260	269	127		**−46.4**	**−52.8**	
REVENUE COLLECTIONS									
Retail Sales Tax — State	6,823,109	7,881,890	6,800,751	6,915,414	6,768,526	**7,306,373**	**13.8**	**7.9**	**1.0**

NEW CARS & TRUCK SALES

	Jan 83	Feb 83	Mar 83	Apr 83	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	**Dec 83**	**Growth Rate**		
													Latest Month		**Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months**
													Same Month Prior Year	**Prior Month**	
NEW CAR SALES															
Buick	147	74	111	106	124	155	83	197	110	135	105	**122**		**16.2**	
Cadiliac	70	22	46	57	35	71	44	63	73	53	59	**58**		**−1.7**	
Chevrolet	235	105	176	241	168	267	212	218	184	205	237	**201**		**−15.2**	
Chrysler	43	22	40	49	41	55	43	58	69	41	52	**40**		**−23.1**	
Datsun	133	114	118	118	137	187	132	168	164	129	124	**136**		**9.7**	
Dodge	64	14	25	30	29	43	33	37	36	33	27	**28**		**3.7**	
Ford	314	115	176	191	167	265	202	237	204	164	202	**243**		**20.3**	
Honda	81	23	37	16	42	49	36	59	38	95	55	**52**		**−5.5**	
Lincoln	40	21	17	23	15	34	15	32	46	32	11	**22**		**100.0**	
Mazda	23	19	29	20	20	28	31	24	28	33	17	**24**		**41.2**	
Mercury	51	37	37	58	46	57	40	65	60	51	49	**51**		**4.1**	
Oldsmobile	181	128	177	187	175	264	111	282	208	207	166	**183**		**10.2**	
Plymouth	51	22	31	22	24	28	28	31	32	17	29	**14**		**−51.7**	
Pontiac	111	64	116	99	126	185	115	184	153	162	168	**119**		**−29.2**	
Renault	0	5	3	0	0	0	1	10	13	13	12	**8**		**−33.3**	
Toyota	310	146	218	234	241	256	283	330	287	246	294	**265**		**−9.9**	
Volkswagen	29	13	29	26	24	23	7	15	18	11	8	**12**		**50.0**	
Volvo	45	18	39	49	38	54	23	84	49	41	40	**47**		**17.5**	
Other	94	42	77	97	82	129	138	128	110	114	72	**80**		**11.1**	
Total Car Sales	2,022	1,004	1,502	1,623	1,534	2,150	1,577	2,222	1,882	1,782	1,727	**1,705**		**−1.3**	
NEW TRUCK SALES															
Chevrolet	177	79	132	160	148	242	194	204	184	191	202	**159**		**−21.3**	
Datsun	23	15	19	25	22	35	22	62	32	35	25	**21**		**−16.0**	
Dodge	86	61	105	150	115	143	60	119	128	82	88	**89**		**1.1**	
Ford	315	131	189	248	235	285	261	305	266	210	243	**270**		**11.1**	
GMC	53	37	38	47	35	49	34	38	22	39	35	**27**		**−22.9**	
Mazda	13	8	17	12	6	23	18	31	18	34	24	**35**		**45.8**	
Toyota	142	71	106	139	147	251	202	293	282	283	173	**186**		**7.5**	
Other	64	38	58	49	51	48	52	56	40	44	44	**60**		**36.4**	
Total Truck Sales	873	440	664	830	759	1,076	843	1,108	972	918	834	**847**		**1.6**	

LAFAYETTE AREA

	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	**Dec 83**	**Growth Rate**		
							Latest Month		**Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months**
							Same Month Prior Year	**Prior Month**	
EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS									
Total Civilian Labor Force (000)	102.2	101.8	101.5	103.2	103.3	**102.8**	**1.6**	**−0.5**	**2.4**
Total Employed (000)	93.3	93.0	92.9	95.0	95.5	**96.0**	**1.3**	**0.5**	**−0.5**
Total Unemployed (000)	8.9	8.8	8.6	8.2	7.8	**6.8**	**6.2**	**−12.8**	**54.6**
Unemployment Rate	8.7	8.7	8.5	8.0	7.6	**6.6**	**4.8**	**−13.2**	**51.9**
CONSTRUCTION									
Highway Construction Contracts ($ Million)	13.74	13.22	13 [illegible]	14.50	14.11				
Value Of Construction Contracts ($ Million)									
Residential	20.2	14.1	9.5	7.6	9.2	**18.4**	**33.3**	**100.0**	**3.2**
Nonresidential	8.5	0.9	1.6	3.2	2.5	**1.8**	**−65.4**	**−28.0**	**−70.9**
Number Of Construction Contracts	579	296	191	168	233	**538**	**113.5**	**130.9**	**48.4**
GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY									
Airline Cargo (Tons)	27	23	23	25	21	**13**	**−53.6**	**−38.1**	**−19.2**
Airline Passenger Boardings (000)	9.0	9.0	8.0	8.0	7.0	**7.0**	**−20.5**	**0.0**	**−13.5**
Telephones In Service (000)	137.5	136.1	135.0	133.8	132.4	**131.0**	**−8.5**	**−1.1**	**−4.0**
Total Mortgage Loans Closed ($ Million)	6.7	4.6	9.5	11.0	22.1	**9.3**	**257.7**	**−57.9**	**305.4**
VITAL STATISTICS									
Births	275	292	261	290	75				
Deaths	79	65	56	62	30				
REVENUE COLLECTIONS									
Retail Sales Tax — State	3,607,072	2,798,825	3,076,374	3,183,319	3,152,235	**3,145,881**	**−3.1**	**−0.2**	**−19.3**

NEW CARS & TRUCK SALES

	Jan 83	Feb 83	Mar 83	Apr 83	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	**Dec 83**	**Growth Rate**		
													Latest Month		**Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months**
													Same Month Prior Year	**Prior Month**	
NEW CAR SALES															
Buick	39	23	47	43	42	55	34	50	58	39	56	**38**		**−32.1**	
Cadillac	30	19	43	24	[illegible]	28	33	29	36	26	37	**22**		**−40.5**	
Chevrolet	35	44	75	58	79	74	56	92	71	67	80	**77**		**−3.8**	
Chrysler	21	13	31	25	16	31	26	19	23	24	16	**22**		**37.5**	
Datsun	52	40	50	68	53	59	49	77	66	63	41	**56**		**36.6**	
Dodge	14	24	9	13	14	11	15	23	16	13	20	**11**		**−45.0**	
Ford	101	47	81	60	108	75	76	72	40	85	80	**29**		**−63.8**	
Honda	2	17	19	17	9	18	23	20	22	19	19	**24**		**26.3**	
Lincoln	14	14	7	20	10	10	15	20	26	14	13	**18**		**38.5**	
Mazda	19	19	50	24	14	36	22	35	22	31	31	**16**		**−48.4**	
Mercury	23	30	12	30	31	31	29	22	26	22	19	**25**		**31.6**	
Oldsmobile	59	41	59	50	59	67	37	66	56	71	71	**56**		**−21.1**	
Plymouth	5	5	12	5	8	6	5	8	7	6	30	**12**		**−60.0**	
Pontiac	15	25	26	37	37	35	47	35	43	43	39	**42**		**7.7**	
Toyota	30	20	48	22	27	29	28	25	23	32	24	**16**		**−33.3**	
Volkswagen	10	5	9	14	8	14	10	10	11	4	14	**13**		**−7.1**	
Volvo	10	6	10	9	13	14	15	15	12	10	11	**14**		**27.3**	
Other	30	43	54	45	37	45	46	41	45	28	40	**48**		**20.0**	
Total Car Sales	509	435	642	564	591	638	566	659	603	597	641	**539**		**−15.9**	
NEW TRUCK SALES															
Chevrolet	52	48	95	80	105	91	86	91	91	126	101	**93**		**−7.9**	
Datsun	13	7	13	18	17	23	23	23	22	19	7	**19**		**171.4**	
Dodge	28	15	45	26	33	37	18	24	23	34	33	**29**		**−12.1**	
Ford	95	54	69	57	83	78	52	76	84	90	92	**46**		**−50.0**	
Mazda	20	9	20	6	8	18	12	17	15	18	16	**17**		**6.3**	
Toyota	20	12	10	13	9	13	9	8	22	13	7	**6**		**−14.3**	
Other	3	6	12	17	3	10	3	6	4	1	11	**4**		**−63.6**	
Total Truck Sales	231	151	264	217	258	270	203	245	261	301	267	**214**		**−19.9**	

Economic Indicators: LOUISIANA METROPOLITAN AREAS

LAKE CHARLES AREA

	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	Dec 83	Growth Rate Latest Month Same Month Prior Year	Growth Rate Latest Month Prior Month	Growth Rate Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS									
Total Civilian Labor Force (000)	75.9	76.7	77.2	77.4	77.0	**75.4**	**1.5**	**−2.1**	**−2.7**
Total Employed (000)	64.3	64.9	65.0	65.9	65.4	**64.6**	**1.9**	**−1.2**	**−3.8**
Total Unemployed (000)	11.6	11.8	12.2	11.5	11.6	**10.8**	**−0.9**	**−6.9**	**4.0**
Unemployment Rate	15.3	15.3	15.8	14.9	15.1	**14.3**	**−2.7**	**−5.3**	**6.6**
CONSTRUCTION									
Highway Construction Contracts ($ Million)	9.26	9.45	15.44	15.16	13.26				
Value Of Construction Contracts ($ Million)									
Residential	5.6	3.7	2.8	3.2	3.3	**5.1**	**45.7**	**54.5**	**2.2**
Nonresidential	1.3	4.1	1.2	1.2	2.1	**11.3**	**527.8**	**438.1**	**−89.1**
Number Of Construction Contracts	71	125	49	62	73	**69**	**72.5**	**−5.5**	**6.3**
GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY									
Airline Cargo (Tons)	8.0	6.4	7.3	8.3	6.4	**8.2**	**56.7**	**28.1**	**−2.1**
Airline Passenger Boardings (000)	3.1	3.3	3.2	3.2	3.0	**3.0**	**7.1**	**0.0**	**−9.0**
Ocean Shipments (000 (Tons))	1451.0	1169.0	1419.0	1535.0	1707.0		**31.8**	**11.2**	**10.9**
Telephones In Service (000)	114.1	113.4	111.6	110.4	109.0	**107.8**	**−8.5**	**−1.1**	**−4.6**
Total Mortgage Loans Closed ($ Million)	9.3	16.7	15.9	9.1	11.4		**442.9**	**25.3**	**104.1**
VITAL STATISTICS									
Births	272	295	311	284	1				
Deaths	79	92	92	110	51				
REVENUE COLLECTIONS									
Retail Sales Tax − State	2,246,583	1,865,135	1,950,891	1,982,454	1,868,422	**1,946,451**	**32.7**	**4.2**	**1.1**

NEW CARS & TRUCK SALES

	Jan 83	Feb 83	Mar 83	Apr 83	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	Dec 83	Growth Rate Latest Month Same Month Prior Year	Growth Rate Latest Month Prior Month	Growth Rate Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
NEW CAR SALES															
Buick	29	33	55	43	48	49	42	41	54	47	37	**52**		**40.5**	
Cadillac	15	8	12	19	14	17	11	9	15	5	10	**16**		**60.0**	
Chevrolet	74	50	74	75	94	95	70	75	86	78	78	**95**		**21.8**	
Datsun	43	28	37	48	50	58	46	58	46	50	40	**44**		**10.0**	
Ford	75	62	81	47	61	66	61	54	46	63	41	**51**		**24.4**	
Honda	7	7	9	11	10	11	13	18	13	17	28	**12**		**−57.1**	
Lincoln	14	10	13	11	10	1	12	11	26	18	12	**7**		**−41.7**	
Mazda	6	8	15	6	8	6	4	9	9	13	4	**5**		**25.0**	
Mercury	29	19	32	21	22	26	28	13	24	28	22	**23**		**4.5**	
Oldsmobile	43	56	89	65	75	84	71	72	89	80	63	**65**		**3.2**	
Pontiac	34	22	20	44	52	50	82	61	62	67	68	**42**		**−38.2**	
Renault	2	5	6	5	4	4	2	2	4	3	6	**1**		**−83.3**	
Toyota	13	16	33	12	23	23	19	31	20	11	23	**15**		**−34.8**	
Other	14	12	16	19	16	7	11	8	16	7	9	**8**		**−11.1**	
Total Car Sales	398	336	492	426	487	497	472	462	510	487	441	**436**		**−1.1**	
NEW TRUCK SALES															
Chevrolet	58	60	91	76	81	89	82	95	86	93	90	**78**		**−13.3**	
Datsun	9	8	14	12	10	24	27	23	19	22	12	**12**			
Ford	80	71	90	81	80	85	81	91	76	91	74	**119**		**60.8**	
GMC	39	29	61	39	67	55	66	61	41	90	71	**52**		**−26.8**	
Mazda	4	4	1	4	3	4	2	6	4	4	3	**6**		**100.0**	
Toyota	12	~~6~~	~~4~~	~~3~~	~~10~~	11	10	14	8	8	5	**9**		**80.0**	
Other	10	10	12	15	10	9	12	11	18	15	9	**16**		**77.8**	
Total Truck Sales	212	188	273	230	261	277	280	301	252	323	264	**292**		**10.6**	

Economic Indicators: LOUISIANA METROPOLITAN AREAS

ALEXANDRIA AREA

							Growth Rate		
							Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	**Dec 83**	Same Month Prior Year	**Prior Month**	
EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS									
Total Civilian Labor Force (000)	75.8	76.6	78.3	78.3	77.9	**76.7**	**3.5**	**−1.5**	**2.7**
Total Employed (000)	66.6	67.7	69.8	70.4	70.2	**69.1**	**6.3**	**−1.6**	**2.6**
Total Unemployed (000)	9.2	8.9	8.5	7.9	7.7	**7.6**	**−16.5**	**−1.3**	**2.9**
Unemployment Rate	12.2	11.7	10.9	10.1	9.9	**9.9**	**−19.5**	**0.0**	**0.6**
CONSTRUCTION									
Highway Construction Contracts ($ Million)	61.60	59.80	60.48	71.77	72.66				
Value Of Construction Contracts ($ Million)									
Residential	6.8	5.0	4.3	9.5	3.0	**7.5**	**177.8**	**150.0**	**62.1**
Nonresidential	0.2	1.5	1.8	2.7	2.6	**1.0**	**−52.4**	**−61.5**	**−3.2**
Number Of Construction Contracts	119	81	66	158	64	**161**	**250.0**	**151.6**	**71.3**
GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY									
Airline Cargo (Tons)	36	43	30	54	48	**11**	**−76.6**	**−77.1**	**−16.3**
Airline Passenger Boardings (000)	5.4	5.0	4.4	4.4	3.0	**3.6**	**−18.2**	**20.0**	**3.3**
Telephones In Service (000)	80.2	79.8	79.1	78.4	77.8	**77.0**	**−5.8**	**−1.0**	**−2.7**
Total Mortgage Loans Closed ($ Million)	0.8	1.0	0.7	0.6			**20.0**	**−14.3**	**68.5**
VITAL STATISTICS									
Births	248	271	282	240	108				
Deaths	130	90	89	94	12				
REVENUE COLLECTIONS									
Retail Sales Tax − State	1,318,777	1,238,876	1,199,224	1,276,153	1,206,788	**213,081**	**−78.0**	**−82.3**	**3.7**

NEW CARS & TRUCK SALES

													Growth Rate		
													Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
	Jan 83	Feb 83	Mar 83	Apr 83	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	**Dec 83**	Same Month Prior Year	Prior Month	
NEW CAR SALES															
Buick	40	18	28	35	33	40	22	43	38	32	38	**25**		**−34.2**	
Cadillac	12	10	14	21	11	16	13	10	10	7	8	**14**		**75.0**	
Chevrolet	53	22	49	36	54	71	38	41	35	49	43	**44**		**2.3**	
Chrysler	7	1	4	6	7	4	12	10	6	5	4	**3**		**−25.0**	
Datsun	23	11	27	29	36	26	17	26	33	23	25	**20**		**−20.0**	
Dodge	18	5	8	7	8	9	7	7	5	5	7	**5**		**−28.6**	
Ford	72	22	28	50	48	70	41	56	39	59	51	**50**		**−2.0**	
Honda	20	6	10	7	13	14	12	23	14	16	27	**15**		**−44.4**	
Lincoln	13	2	14	2	14	12	8	10	13	7	10	**7**		**−30.0**	
Mazda	15	9	10	20	24	16	15	12	18	17	13	**9**		**−30.8**	
Mercury	9	5	3	9	6	11	3	7	13	12	25	**11**		**−56.0**	
Oldsmobile	90	25	72	75	72	92	96	129	74	64	98	**57**		**−41.8**	
Plymouth	4	3	7	4	2	1	2	14	9	5	4	**12**		**200.0**	
Pontiac	24	21	27	17	43	44	30	35	39	43	34	**28**		**−17.6**	
Renault	1	0	1	1	0	2	2	5	0	2	0	**2**			
Toyota	25	15	14	15	24	22	15	26	11	18	9	**12**		**33.3**	
Volkswagen	1	0	1	3	2	0	0	0	3	1	5	**3**		**−40.0**	
Other	23	10	16	18	33	31	12	27	11	32	12	**9**		**−25.0**	
Total Car Sales	450	185	333	355	430	481	345	481	371	397	413	**326**		**−21.1**	
NEW TRUCK SALES															
Chevrolet	57	31	55	56	57	65	57	47	46	66	66	**72**		**9.1**	
Datsun	15	3	6	14	6	7	13	11	8	12	4	**7**		**75.0**	
Dodge	35	8	24	20	15	18	18	27	16	17	17	**16**		**−5.9**	
Ford	127	60	74	81	90	95	59	82	75	109	77	**114**		**48.1**	
GMC	29	9	18	12	13	13	14	15	14	16	19	**18**		**−5.3**	
Mazda	11	3	8	12	6	7	8	20	7	16	15	**9**		**−40.0**	
Toyota	12	9	8	9	17	16	10	14	7	8	6	**5**		**−16.7**	
Other	14	4	19	18	15	21	9	13	14	22	17	**21**		**23.5**	
Total Truck Sales	300	127	212	222	219	242	188	229	187	266	221	**262**		**18.6**	

SHREVEPORT AREA

	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	Dec 83	Growth Rate: Latest Month: Same Month Prior Year	Growth Rate: Latest Month: Prior Month	Growth Rate: Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS									
Total Civilian Labor Force (000)	166.1	167.4	170.0	169.5	168.8	**167.2**	**2.5**	**−0.9**	**1.1**
Total Employed (000)	146.1	148.1	151.0	151.3	151.1	**151.0**	**5.7**	**−0.1**	**−1.4**
Total Unemployed (000)	20.0	19.3	19.0	18.2	17.7	**16.2**	**−20.2**	**−8.5**	**19.6**
Unemployment Rate	12.1	11.5	11.2	10.7	10.5	**9.7**	**−22.4**	**−7.6**	**18.5**
Average Weekly Manufacturing Earnings	389.42	371.94	382.97	367.77	382.00	**407.36**	**22.6**	**6.6**	**14.1**
Average Weekly Manufacturing Hours	39.9	39.4	39.4	39.0	40.0	**40.9**	**3.5**	**2.2**	**1.6**
CONSTRUCTION									
Highway Construction Contracts ($ Million)	78.15	100.73	100.73	97.89	95.30				
Value Of Construction Contracts ($ Million)									
Residential	22.5	14.8	9.8	14.2	24.2	**28.9**	**381.7**	**19.4**	**96.8**
Nonresidential	5.5	7.9	3.3	7.3	13.7	**3.9**	**−30.4**	**−71.5**	**−3.3**
Number Of Construction Contracts	723	238	190	336	617	**766**	**543.7**	**24.1**	**108.4**
GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY									
Airline Cargo (Tons)	688	1,076	933	893	870	**964**	**9.4**	**10.8**	**13.2**
Airline Passenger Boardings (000)	34.0	32.0	28.0	28.0	26.0	**27.0**	**−18.9**	**3.8**	**−1.5**
Telephones In Service (000)	239.9	245.2	243.4	241.1	239.4	**237.9**	**−7.3**	**−0.6**	**−5.3**
Total Mortgage Loans Closed ($ Million)	6.3	5.4	5.5	13.2	7.9	**30.9**	**67.0**	**291.1**	**493.4**
VITAL STATISTICS									
Births	645	665	624	599	334				
Deaths	286	253	243	262	74				
REVENUE COLLECTIONS									
Retail Sales Tax -- State	4,676,096	4,335,013	4,620,488	4,633,007	4,404,006	**4,307,184**	**8.3**	**−2.2**	**−0.8**

NEW CARS & TRUCK SALES

	Jan 83	Feb 83	Mar 83	Apr 83	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	Dec 83	Growth Rate: Latest Month: Same Month Prior Year	Growth Rate: Latest Month: Prior Month	Growth Rate: Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
NEW CAR SALES															
Buick	73	53	82	74	79	91	93	119	76	105	82	**64**		**−22.0**	
Cadillac	37	36	42	63	40	65	50	39	58	47	34	**53**		**55.9**	
Chevrolet	160	114	193	152	174	165	125	177	137	162	161	**144**		**−10.6**	
Chrysler	20	27	32	39	53	45	40	54	37	29	25	**24**		**−4.0**	
Datsun	44	43	62	54	38	51	41	56	42	24	41	**33**		**−19.5**	
Dodge	45	21	36	38	46	36	32	28	39	20	27	**24**		**−11.1**	
Ford	243	107	212	167	124	122	101	147	131	404	220	**149**		**−32.3**	
Honda	11	20	20	28	28	30	16	41	26	16	27	**23**		**−14.8**	
Lincoln	19	33	28	30	35	33	34	47	27	34	35	**14**		**−60.0**	
Mazda	20	11	34	16	31	29	28	27	28	25	19	**21**		**10.5**	
Mercury	44	53	76	62	67	63	59	73	46	103	110	**56**		**−49.1**	
Oldsmobile	129	116	176	172	171	201	137	193	200	175	155	**175**		**12.9**	
Plymouth	15	8	16	20	18	15	18	16	9	15	12	**14**		**16.7**	
Pontiac	45	39	60	82	67	104	85	93	86	121	123	**77**		**−37.4**	
Renault	5	5	12	9	5	10	15	23	21	15	9	**24**		**166.7**	
Toyota	37	46	61	46	62	62	72	64	44	60	42	**51**		**21.4**	
Volkswagen	6	1	5	8	6	7	6	12	6	5	6	**15**		**150.0**	
Volvo	2	1	7	6	10	6	12	12	8	5	5	**4**		**−20.0**	
Other	50	27	69	60	69	58	64	61	49	47	38	**43**		**13.2**	
Total Car Sales	1,005	761	1,223	1,126	1,123	1,193	1,028	1,282	1,070	1,412	1,171	**1,008**		**−13.9**	
NEW TRUCK SALES															
Chevrolet	129	86	161	154	140	244	148	170	141	163	154	**149**		**−3.2**	
Datsun	6	4	18	13	13	12	6	17	13	11	10	**13**		**30.0**	
Dodge	33	22	48	52	47	54	44	52	44	44	46	**55**		**19.6**	
Ford	202	99	134	184	145	160	152	145	113	143	189	**149**		**−21.2**	
GMC	14	9	31	24	18	28	24	24	18	22	25	**22**		**−12.0**	
Mazda	13	7	12	16	16	15	19	13	8	5	9	**18**		**100.0**	
Toyota	8	12	24	10	25	10	15	17	24	11	16	**16**			
Other	31	12	34	53	26	40	41	48	52	42	38	**43**		**13.2**	
Total Truck Sales	435	251	462	506	430	563	449	486	413	441	487	**465**		**−4.5**	

MONROE AREA

	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	Dec 83	Growth Rate		
							Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
							Same Month Prior Year	Prior Month	
EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS									
Total Civilian Labor Force (000)	58.5	58.4	58.4	58.3	58.4	**58.2**	**−0.2**	**−0.3**	**1.0**
Total Employed (000)	51.7	51.8	51.8	51.9	52.3	**52.5**	**2.3**	**0.4**	**1.3**
Total Unemployed (000)	6.8	6.6	6.6	6.4	6.1	**5.7**	**−18.6**	**−6.6**	**−1.9**
Unemployment Rate	11.6	11.3	11.3	11.0	10.6	**9.9**	**−17.5**	**−6.6**	**−2.2**
CONSTRUCTION									
Highway Construction Contracts ($ Million)	13.46	13.04	13.30	12.62	13.21				
Value Of Construction Contracts ($ Million)									
Residential	2.5	7.1	3.3	6.4	2.8	**1.7**	**112.5**	**−39.3**	**−29.9**
Nonresidential	32.1	1.8	3.2	0.9	3.2	**1.8**	**−77.5**	**−43.8**	**−28.9**
Number Of Construction Contracts	42	100	75	117	71	**28**	**64.7**	**−60.6**	**61.8**
GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY									
Airline Cargo (Tons)	17	20	19	25	24	**13**	**−13.3**	**−45.8**	**−20.9**
Airline Passenger Boardings (000)	9.0	8.0	7.0	8.0	8.0	**8.0**	**21.2**	**0.0**	**12.4**
Telephones In Service (000)	114.7	114.0	113.0	111.9	111.0	**109.7**	**−5.8**	**−1.2**	**−3.1**
Total Mortgage Loans Closed ($ Million)	10.9	16.1	8.6	8.2			**67.3**	**−4.7**	**155.0**
VITAL STATISTICS									
Births	254	249	301	196	84				
Deaths	112	117	124	95	26				
REVENUE COLLECTIONS									
Retail Sales Tax – State	2,133,021	2,040,891	2,255,276	2,097,156	1,398,812	**2,071,527**	**3.4**	**48.1**	**3.0**

NEW CARS & TRUCK SALES

	Jan 83	Feb 83	Mar 83	Apr 83	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	Dec 83	Growth Rate		
													Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
													Same Month Prior Year	Prior Month	
NEW CAR SALES															
Buick	36	36	49	62	66	76	60	79	45	62	49	**56**		**14.3**	
Cadillac	10	9	20	20	25	21	21	20	13	19	11	**25**		**127.3**	
Chevrolet	54	23	49	64	48	70	58	60	47	47	45	**43**		**−4.4**	
Chrysler	10	5	18	12	12	14	8	12	8	6	7	**14**		**100.0**	
Datsun	20	18	34	32	16	54	26	30	21	39	14	**20**		**42.9**	
Dodge	15	4	8	6	3	7	8	3	4	5	7	**10**		**42.9**	
Ford	74	25	62	46	30	55	37	40	37	53	69	**46**		**−33.3**	
Honda	9	10	17	30	21	26	17	19	18	25	24	**21**		**−12.5**	
Lincoln	17	14	7	6	13	13	16	19	19	20	12	**11**		**−8.3**	
Mazda	21	10	26	15	18	30	17	27	35	23	16	**22**		**37.5**	
Mercury	28	8	26	26	20	31	26	34	26	24	30	**16**		**−46.7**	
Oldsmobile	83	43	83	87	73	105	62	78	93	87	77	**97**		**26.0**	
Plymouth	8	2	3	2	2	4	2	2	0	3	4	**1**		**−75.0**	
Pontiac	25	7	15	27	22	15	18	20	20	31	27	**21**		**−22.2**	
Renault	5	9	4	3	4	11	8	5	3	4	1	**5**		**400.0**	
Toyota	15	14	23	27	18	24	23	25	21	19	30	**15**		**−50.0**	
Volkswagen	1	0	2	5	0	3	1	4	1	0	0	**2**			
Volvo	6	3	6	4	10	4	7	8	5	9	10	**8**		**−20.0**	
Other	15	9	15	5	9	17	9	9	7	9	6	**13**		**116.7**	
Total Car Sales	452	249	467	479	410	580	424	494	423	485	439	**446**		**1.6**	
NEW TRUCK SALES															
Chevrolet	71	24	71	82	66	75	72	71	52	75	57	**59**		**3.5**	
Datsun	3	4	6	7	8	11	10	17	18	13	3	**10**		**233.3**	
Dodge	19	5	14	11	9	8	7	6	3	16	5	**16**		**220.0**	
Ford	81	44	58	70	63	83	38	49	63	61	97	**64**		**−34.0**	
GMC	24	15	20	40	30	33	46	34	25	27	33	**54**		**63.6**	
Mazda	13	11	20	31	16	22	11	31	23	14	22	**13**		**−40.9**	
Toyota	17	10	15	7	10	14	11	14	14	13	12	**10**		**−16.7**	
Other	25	8	19	24	12	35	15	29	19	16	43	**41**		**−4.7**	
Total Truck Sales	253	121	223	272	214	281	210	251	217	235	272	**267**		**−1.8**	

HOUMA/THIBODAUX AREA

	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	**Dec 83**	Growth Rate: Latest Month: Same Month Prior Year	Growth Rate: Latest Month: Prior Month	Growth Rate: Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY									
Highway Construction Contracts ($ Million)	12.73	15.69	15.69	20.61	19.93			**−3.3**	
Telephones In Service (000)	78.0	77.3	76.7	76.2	75.6	**75.0**		**−0.8**	
VITAL STATISTICS									
Births	334	367	317	313	159				
Deaths	100	99	94	108	44				
REVENUE COLLECTIONS									
Retail Sales Tax – State	1,428,035	1,326,253	1,407,548	1,487,782	1,275,106	**1,361,881**	**5.0**	**6.8**	**−19.8**

NEW CARS & TRUCK SALES

	Jan 83	Feb 83	Mar 83	Apr 83	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	**Dec 83**	Growth Rate: Latest Month: Same Month Prior Year	Growth Rate: Latest Month: Prior Month	Growth Rate: Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
NEW CAR SALES															
Buick	61	28	43	65	68	56	52	53	43	48	40	**47**		**17.5**	
Cadillac	14	15	15	13	11	19	13	7	11	11	15	**18**		**20.0**	
Chevrolet	60	32	43	54	72	70	58	58	50	83	38	**42**		**10.5**	
Chrysler	8	12	16	13	11	19	16	10	18	7	10	**17**		**70.0**	
Datsun	28	29	35	44	27	36	36	30	36	17	23	**21**		**−8.7**	
Dodge	18	8	134	21	53	33	80	13	11	30	15	**11**		**−26.7**	
Ford	58	24	46	37	55	59	42	31	47	46	48	**49**		**2.1**	
Honda	10	13	5	13	15	19	17	10	13	13	14	**19**		**35.7**	
Lincoln	12	7	10	6	11	11	8	11	11	6	9	**7**		**−22.2**	
Mazda	11	2	7	7	4	3	6	7	6	4	3	**6**		**100.0**	
Mercury	26	17	26	21	19	30	24	18	18	29	24	**16**		**−33.3**	
Oldsmobile	58	53	66	65	54	79	44	86	54	63	57	**79**		**38.6**	
Plymouth	8	4	9	10	11	10	7	12	9	9	5	**10**		**100.0**	
Pontiac	39	15	44	26	34	60	25	29	32	25	37	**41**		**10.8**	
Renault	0	2	3	2	0	1	1	0	3	3	3	**2**		**−33.3**	
Toyota	17	12	28	16	18	26	22	26	16	22	22	**28**		**27.3**	
Other	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	8	6	**14**		**133.3**	
Total Car Sales	429	273	530	414	464	532	451	401	378	424	369	**427**		**15.7**	
NEW TRUCK SALES															
Chevrolet	70	25	55	64	54	44	76	60	48	59	50	**57**		**14.0**	
Datsun	18	15	10	11	16	17	18	16	22	15	10	**11**		**10.0**	
Dodge	29	25	54	46	72	58	43	46	47	36	35	**44**		**25.7**	
Ford	69	37	39	74	82	71	59	57	73	63	65	**55**		**−15.4**	
GMC	36	27	33	34	32	35	34	27	21	21	25	**35**		**40.0**	
Mazda	3	2	3	1	1	3	2	2	0	6	4	**2**		**−50.0**	
Toyota	8	5	10	5	5	6	5	9	6	3	7	**11**		**57.1**	
Others	6	4	1	1	1	8	10	9	12	13	4	**10**		**150.0**	
Total Truck Sales	239	140	205	236	263	242	247	226	229	216	200	**225**		**12.5**	

HISTORICAL SUMMARY

LOUISIANA STATESALES TAX COLLECTIONS BY COMMODITY (BASED ON SALES FOR PRECEDING MONTH)

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Chain Stores (Clothing)												
1980	$0	0	0	0	0	0	7,842	7,297	7,689	8,621	1,272	10,686
1981	$10,395	3,359	3,594	2,918	7,030	5,679	6,117	4,781	5,597	3,144	3,308	2,702
1982	$5,380	2,024	3,255	4,176	3,962	3,572	3,763	2,885	3,842	3,031	3,014	2,865
1983	$3,953	1,402	1,820	4,716	2,237	3,102	3,164	1,441	465	1,133	257	662
Other Apparel												
1980	$0	0	0	0	0	0	427,201	391,234	475,752	437,890	340,130	618,081
1981	$828,437	403,441	415,129	460,808	409,770	590,862	508,503	474,873	571,887	506,141	542,447	597,971
1982	$1,035,710	480,431	508,815	598,642	606,586	515,686	557,095	512,414	575,814	505,383	544,740	538,709
1983	$928,948	450,583	450,415	613,770	534,661	578,710	533,112	580,140	600,533	593,642	604,174	692,460
Department Stores												
1980	$0	0	0	0	0	0	1,316,615	1,120,158	1,409,253	1,283,424	1,301,951	2,419,546
1981	$2,481,667	1,515,196	1,093,541	1,472,660	1,555,487	1,441,365	1,352,751	1,505,379	1,824,535	1,572,226	1,573,952	1,577,680
1982	$2,844,924	1,639,472	1,176,259	1,681,782	1,241,385	1,805,052	1,669,364	1,366,685	1,756,198	1,667,612	1,838,761	2,176,683
1983	$3,521,024	1,287,872	1,419,196	2,060,459	1,764,715	2,208,437	2,257,764	2,015,170	2,403,533	2,189,072	1,912,113	3,184,385
Country and Farm Stores												
1980	$0	0	0	0	0	0	12,322	8,641	13,914	14,412	5,634	18,192
1981	$17,940	7,782	8,280	13,813	16,076	27,101	13,224	13,812	11,673	14,047	14,787	9,530
1982	$28,699	13,273	9,731	11,709	8,494	6,768	11,921	10,198	8,508	10,806	7,544	8,656
1983	$23,343	11,275	9,201	14,200	8,158	6,150	8,569	8,383	9,263	8,528	6,971	7,464
Variety Stores												
1980	$0	0	0	0	0	0	1,332,156	918,904	1,391,604	1,315,916	727,221	2,252,485
1981	$2,811,117	1,119,527	1,158,567	1,389,836	1,727,164	1,479,354	1,551,340	1,474,289	1,544,956	1,523,629	1,557,950	1,673,083
1982	$3,317,591	1,190,846	1,290,902	1,630,175	1,834,837	1,686,021	1,696,492	1,643,132	1,610,102	1,522,104	1,684,146	1,820,978
1983	$3,308,191	1,271,478	1,311,705	1,772,866	1,854,580	1,685,145	1,703,787	1,545,790	1,689,451	1,602,654	1,746,422	1,969,088
Drug Stores												
1980	$0	0	0	0	0	0	738,616	776,649	765,847	705,612	475,042	939,413
1981	$1,350,406	798,667	764,787	797,029	766,281	819,672	788,821	792,425	840,905	746,896	785,862	761,009
1982	$1,497,863	804,459	792,745	924,710	983,757	885,540	878,582	888,220	883,616	800,389	820,511	841,520
1983	$1,579,658	834,840	818,970	990,814	982,942	965,469	904,254	924,386	919,526	891,906	845,578	944,354
Jewelry/ Leather/ Sporting Goods												
1980	$0	0	0	0	0	0	678,567	584,326	703,047	679,954	479,812	1,184,409
1981	$1,793,844	607,199	686,507	714,252	817,026	946,726	837,063	745,866	812,166	825,176	750,364	848,610
1982	$2,138,386	664,365	896,750	899,416	912,833	922,656	925,854	1,013,635	986,453	1,045,710	1,061,230	1,316,408
1983	$2,806,542	849,136	837,012	1,052,916	1,091,289	1,176,057	1,080,706	963,003	1,022,411	1,038,522	1,050,996	1,445,557
Feed and Seed												
1980	$0	0	0	0	0	0	111,513	86,322	91,861	104,043	102,171	120,413
1981	$114,652	100,204	112,578	146,485	161,047	130,954	134,507	102,981	104,621	115,067	107,686	82,320
1982	$136,878	103,773	99,578	165,897	135,927	151,435	138,626	95,729	103,968	117,858	107,346	96,835
1983	$125,052	92,659	113,876	137,211	119,542	123,654	136,969	143,711	103,878	127,964	108,863	101,558
Hardware Stores												
1980	$0	0	0	0	0	0	1,165,101	1,079,931	1,211,664	1,142,338	827,639	1,522,635
1981	$1,172,497	1,053,638	1,131,931	1,252,149	1,266,206	1,205,258	1,407,945	1,300,877	1,195,574	1,270,509	1,200,564	1,116,042
1982	$1,327,939	1,169,532	1,199,553	1,370,279	1,205,776	1,034,814	1,306,137	1,081,740	1,088,478	1,115,370	951,708	1,009,828
1983	$1,050,339	1,020,737	832,885	1,286,524	1,008,314	1,100,412	1,169,712	1,058,967	1,138,378	1,084,444	1,045,816	1,048,337
Farm Implement Dealers												
1980	$0	0	0	0	0	0	830,733	816,927	756,183	847,997	635,689	903,140
1981	$713,613	603,523	694,251	862,717	886,754	862,935	888,616	777,040	700,424	834,437	943,635	736,807
1982	$645,536	522,290	596,809	785,353	671,787	674,567	632,805	540,180	557,017	595,780	558,322	459,231
1983	$505,803	401,947	358,367	502,932	485,647	567,289	572,445	532,144	593,058	621,340	600,726	453,304
Chain Stores (General Merchandise)												
1980	$0	0	0	0	0	0	1,627,345	1,646,549	1,809,164	1,463,095	1,444,604	2,386,218
1981	$2,744,622	1,135,230	1,633,043	1,619,290	1,719,204	1,788,722	1,724,799	1,728,408	1,891,755	1,585,951	1,729,317	2,234,201
1982	$2,115,148	2,002,982	1,404,881	1,819,036	1,734,832	1,936,430	1,772,134	1,765,800	1,932,239	1,608,379	1,682,685	2,255,346
1983	$2,747,812	1,272,044	1,392,939	1,683,613	1,721,343	1,904,222	1,741,634	1,748,110	2,013,036	1,645,286	1,812,806	2,479,241
Other General Merchandise												
1980	$0	0	0	0	0	0	898,360	1,307,948	979,238	962,914	996,040	1,458,838
1981	$2,017,205	831,850	775,691	939,070	1,032,188	1,043,014	1,073,417	978,127	972,681	1,082,332	1,132,276	1,368,158
1982	$2,373,801	820,582	815,913	1,071,792	489,036	1,131,525	1,176,924	754,831	860,742	881,646	864,127	1,040,525
1983	$1,486,130	639,675	661,848	1,021,977	1,239,333	885,088	947,060	725,512	812,534	893,893	877,332	1,054,090
Motor Vehicle Dealers												
1980	$0	0	0	0	0	0	665,246	660,593	668,423	661,655	531,761	755,058
1981	$659,225	618,054	654,027	659,370	738,000	673,491	713,358	761,206	719,811	715,898	686,524	602,798
1982	$667,671	635,824	681,904	766,531	693,720	694,246	723,579	683,593	723,517	665,703	654,232	643,679
1983	$632,679	606,850	571,636	680,960	629,495	677,470	686,317	773,337	784,604	674,785	688,514	645,397
Auto Parts/ Tires/ Etc.												
1980	$0	0	0	0	0	0	1,742,932	1,470,107	1,740,954	1,689,644	1,196,089	1,873,074
1981	$1,573,446	1,470,688	1,534,481	1,772,744	1,744,891	1,688,034	1,842,398	1,775,342	1,915,048	1,782,106	1,754,226	1,553,402
1982	$1,816,150	1,543,746	1,569,843	1,917,646	1,788,196	1,810,657	1,965,328	1,806,129	1,864,118	1,754,066	1,704,768	1,612,190
1983	$1,595,156	1,540,148	1,467,464	1,885,212	1,756,498	1,876,059	1,988,516	1,813,488	1,890,690	1,973,669	1,854,436	1,719,541
Service Stations												
1980	$0	0	0	0	0	0	690,141	583,735	613,619	674,991	458,738	637,120
1981	$710,760	619,760	617,330	781,718	654,272	808,527	777,724	734,416	653,515	773,417	686,334	624,730
1982	$730,897	458,200	732,126	789,254	611,735	674,027	842,719	685,587	665,060	751,131	565,849	1,200,951
1983	$1,426,990	551,088	561,273	894,188	555,079	587,327	769,057	683,978	679,481	838,686	751,106	649,711

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	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	Growth Rate		
							Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
							Same Month Prior Year	Prior Month	
GENERAL TRADE INFORMATION ($ MILLION)									
Exports									
Exports excluding D.O.D. Shipments	17008.3	16628.5	16630.2	17387.0	16951.1	16847.9	6.3	−0.6	−7.0
Department of Defence Shipments	2.4	1.0	1.0	1.3	6.4	4.9	−15.5	−23.4	−39.5
Imports (Customs Value)	21024.4	21949.9	22782.3	22175.1	24762.7	23179.2	22.7	−6.4	4.2
Merchandise Trade Balance	−4016.1	−5321.4	−6152.1	−4788.1	−7811.6	−6331.3	108.2	−19.0	85.2
COMMODITY EXPORT / IMPORT									
Meats and Meat Preparations	−86.3	−98.1	−92.5	−65.7	−71.3	−21.5	−36.0	−69.8	6.5
Dairy Products	1.6	−1.7	−4.2	−1.1	6.5	−7.7	−13.5	−218.5	−161.6
Fish and Fish Preparations	−257.3	−191.4	−127.5	−204.2	−261.8	−255.4	6.9	−2.4	31.6
Vegetables and Fruit	−21.3	11.3	−23.8	30.3	−2.1	30.0	−21.5	−1528.6	101.7
Hides and Skins	51.6	64.4	53.6	64.5	66.6	69.8	11.0	4.8	4.7
Paper Base Stocks	26.9	26.8	31.9	42.9	18.5	15.7	−465.1	−15.1	−12.8
Metal Ores and Concentrates	4.3	−23.4	−38.7	−34.6	−57.2	−89.1	−1000.0	55.8	−55.3
Petroleum and Petroleum Products	−3951.0	−4522.4	−4983.5	−4905.8	−5168.9	−4249.5	4.7	−17.8	−10.2
Chemical Elements and Compounds	362.8	229.1	292.4	218.7	179.8	115.4	−35.9	−35.8	−21.7
Medicinal and Pharmaceutical Products	145.4	130.6	127.0	143.3	171.7	145.1	7.2	−15.5	4.1
Fertilizers and Fertilizer Materials	68.3	42.7	53.6	27.7	15.4	25.0	−54.6	62.3	−13.4
Tires and Tubes For Tires	−82.2	−105.3	−90.4	−81.4	−109.1	−103.3	39.2	−5.3	−1.5
Paper and Paperboard	−162.8	−113.8	−154.7	−110.1	−204.8	−174.6	22.1	−14.7	24.4
Textile Yarn	−81.2	−103.1	−91.6	−74.3	−99.1	−94.8	1085.0	−4.3	1376.0
Iron and Steel	−391	−440	−507	−457	−550	−594	43.4	7.9	−35.8
Metal Manufactures	−62.3	−94.6	−81.6	−109.4	−175.1	−178.7	110.7	2.1	123.6
Machinery	603.9	474.4	232.4	805.8	86.6	−116.0	−108.2	−233.9	−54.3
Transport Equipment	−154.9	−908.9	−1359.8	−449.4	−1463.3	−1582.4	82.8	8.1	61.6
Raw Cotton	150.4	145.2	137.0	114.7	89.9	157.0	24.6	74.6	−18.1
Soybeans	450.6	341.9	445.1	436.9	565.1	564.6	−0.4	−0.1	−5.3
Rice, Grains, and Cereal Preparations	1308.7	1178.5	1134.7	1447.9	1432.3	1488.6	43.9	3.9	−3.1
NOMINAL EFFECTIVE EXCHANGE RATES (1980−1982=	United States								
Canada	100.8	101.0	101.2	101.3	101.0	100.9	−0.3	−0.1	1.1
Japan	106.6	106.9	106.2	107.1	110.7	110.7	15.8	0.0	8.1
Australia	89.4	89.8	91.5	92.2	93.5	94.8	−2.5	1.4	−8.4
France	86.4	86.2	85.6	85.6	85.4	85.1	−5.5	−0.4	−6.1
Germany	107.6	107.2	106.5	106.9	108.0	107.1	2.2	−0.8	5.3
Italy	90.7	90.6	89.6	88.9	88.6	88.3	−3.1	−0.3	−2.5
United Kingdom	93.6	93.4	94.0	93.8	92.2	92.8	−4.8	0.7	−6.9
Austria	103.4	103.5	103.1	103.3	103.8	103.2	0.2	−0.6	2.3
Belgium	90.2	89.7	89.2	88.8	88.7	88.4	−2.3	−0.3	−3.1
Netherlands	104.6	104.5	104.1	104.2	105.0	104.4	−0.9	−0.6	2.8
Spain	78.3	76.8	77.0	76.7	76.0	75.9	−17.9	−0.1	−16.9
Switzerland	110.6	111.7	112.3	112.4	113.2	112.8	7.7	−0.4	4.2
Denmark	96.2	95.4	94.5	94.9	95.2	94.6	−2.2	−0.6	1.1
Norway	99.5	99.9	100.3	100.9	100.8	100.9	2.4	0.1	−2.8
Sweden	82.2	82.6	82.8	82.6	82.3	82.7	0.4	0.5	−13.0
EUROCURRENCY DEPOSIT RATES									
Eurodollar									
3 Months	9.69	10.19	10.25	9.50	9.63	9.75	−1.3	1.2	−28.6
6 Months	9.94	10.63	10.63	9.69	9.69	9.94	−1.9	2.6	−28.8
Euro−Canadian dollar									
3 Months	9.19	9.38	9.38	9.13	9.19	9.38	−16.6	2.1	−35.0
6 Months	9.69	9.88	9.88	9.38	9.38	9.56	−15.0	1.9	−35.4
Euroyen									
3 Months	6.50	6.50	6.63	6.69	6.31	6.75	−6.9	7.0	−5.6
6 Months	6.50	6.56	6.63	6.69	6.31	6.69	−6.3	6.0	−5.7
Euro−French franc									
3 Months	14.94	13.50	15.00	14.31	12.88	13.19	−33.2	2.4	−19.3
6 Months	16.69	15.25	16.75	15.81	14.00	14.13	−30.7	0.9	−15.1
Euromark									
3 Months	5.19	5.06	5.50	5.75	5.81	6.19	−12.3	6.5	−37.8
6 Months	5.50	5.50	5.94	5.88	5.81	6.19	−12.3	6.5	−36.4
Eurosterling									
3 Months	9.63	9.81	9.75	9.56	9.25	9.25	−11.4	0.0	−19.3
6 Months	9.88	10.25	10.13	9.56	9.38	9.44	−9.1	0.6	−17.4
Euro−Dutch guilder									
3 Months	5.38	5.63	6.25	6.19	6.06	6.19	−5.6	2.1	−35.0
6 Months	5.88	6.00	6.44	6.25	6.19	6.31	−7.3	1.9	−33.5
Euro−Swiss franc									
3 Months	4.63	4.75	4.44	4.13	4.13	4.06	0.0	−1.7	−25.7
6 Months	4.75	4.88	4.81	4.31	4.19	4.19	3.2	0.0	−28.9

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							Growth Rate		
							Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	**Dec 83**	Same Month Prior Year	Prior Month	
PRODUCER PRICE INDEXES (1967 = 100)									
Finished Goods	285.2	286.2	285.1	287.9	286.8	**287.1**	0.7	0.1	1.6
Finished Consumer Goods	285.2	285.6	285.1	287.1	285.8	**286.1**	0.4	0.1	1.3
Intermediate Materials	313.0	314.4	315.7	316.0	315.7	**315.8**	1.8	0.0	0.7
Crude Materials	320.6	326.9	328.3	324.5	324.1	**327.8**	4.9	1.1	1.3
CONSUMER PRICE INDEXES (1967 = 100)									
All Items	299.3	300.3	301.8	302.6	303.1	**303.5**	3.8	0.1	3.2
Food and Beverages	284.7	284.9	285.3	285.7	285.3	**286.5**	2.7	0.4	2.2
Housing	324.5	324.8	326.4	326.8	327.0	**327.4**	3.5	0.1	2.7
Apparel and Upkeep	195.0	197.3	200.4	200.7	200.7	**199.3**	2.9	−0.7	2.5
Transportation	300.4	302.4	303.7	305.0	306.3	**306.3**	3.9	0.0	2.4
Medical Care	357.7	360.0	361.2	362.9	364.9	**366.2**	6.4	0.4	8.7
Entertainment	246.0	246.6	247.5	249.1	249.5	**249.5**	3.9	0.0	4.3
INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION INDEXES (1967 = 100)									
Total Index	149.7	151.8	153.8	155.0	155.5	**156.4**	15.7	0.6	6.5
Energy	138.5	139.4	139.1	137.7	138.3	**141.5**	7.0	2.3	0.1
Durable Consumer Goods	152.9	154.2	157.5	156.7	155.9	**158.3**	25.7	1.5	14.3
Nondurable Consumer Goods	155.6	157.1	157.2	157.1	156.7	**157.8**	6.3	0.7	3.6
Business Equipment	153.3	156.6	158.7	161.3	164.1	**165.4**	11.7	0.8	−3.1
Defense and Space Equipment	120.4	120.2	121.8	122.9	124.0	**126.0**	8.7	1.6	9.7
Construction Supplies	145.8	149.0	151.4	152.3	151.9	**150.5**	22.4	−0.9	14.5
Business Supplies	170.4	175.3	179.3	180.6	179.4	**179.6**	12.4	0.1	5.2
Durable Goods Materials	141.1	144.2	147.4	149.4	150.5	**150.8**	29.4	0.2	10.9
Nondurable Goods Materials	177.0	178.0	182.3	185.3	185.5	**185.0**	18.9	−0.3	11.1
Energy Materials	127.7	128.0	126.4	126.3	126.9	**130.0**	8.0	2.4	−0.4
Home Goods and Clothing	132.3	133.3	135.5	135.5	135.9	**136.7**	15.7	0.6	8.5
GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY (1967 = 100)									
Index of 12 Leading Indicators	158.2	158.9	160.2	162.2	161.9	**162.9**	15.6	0.6	14.0
Index of 4 Roughly Coincident Indicators	140.8	140.6	143.0	144.3	145.6	**146.5**	10.5	0.6	2.5
Index Of 6 Lagging Indicators	110.1	110.8	110.2	109.8	109.9	**110.8**	−5.1	0.8	−9.0
Index of Coincident to Lagging Ratio	127.9	126.9	129.8	131.4	132.5	**132.2**	16.4	−0.2	12.8
Housing Starts, Privately Owned (000)	161.6	176.8	154.9	159.3	136.9	**107.5**	29.7	−21.5	60.3
Housing Starts, Publically Owned (000)	0.4	0.9	1.9	0.6	0.4	**0.2**	−60.0	−50.0	−5.1
FINANCE									
Percent Yield On 3 − Month Federal Securities	9.08	9.39	9.05	8.71	8.71	**8.96**	11.9	2.9	−19.7
Percent Yield on State and Local Bonds	8.70	9.04	8.97	8.93	9.01	**9.34**	0.0	3.7	−19.0
Average Percent Yield on Corporate Bonds	12.73	13.01	12.91	12.79	12.93	**13.07**	0.4	1.1	−14.4
M1 : Currency + Demand Deposits ($ Billion)	514.9	517.4	518.9	521.6	523.0	**525.3**	9.8	0.4	11.1
M2 : M1 + Other Checkable Deposits ($ Billion)	2126.6	2135.3	2147.9	2167.2	2182.2	**2196.1**	12.1	0.6	12.7
Bank Debits ($ Billion)	107884.4	111538.1	110700.7	118407.2	114466.6	**127335.8**	30.3	11.2	20.6
Credit Union Deposits ($ Billion)	61.4	61.0	60.9	60.9	60.6	**60.9**	17.1	0.5	22.8
Savings & Loan Deposits ($ Billion)	599.6	599.7	600.9	611.9	586.0	**596.0**	10.0	1.7	11.3
Commercial Bank Deposits ($ Billion)	1283.4	1278.2	1293.8	1296.2	1298.9	**1305.0**	9.0	0.5	10.7
EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS (MILLIONS)									
Civilian Noninstitutional Population	174.3	174.4	174.6	174.8	175.0	**175.1**	1.1	0.1	1.1
Civilian Labor Force	111.9	112.3	112.4	111.8	112.0	**112.1**	0.9	0.1	1.1
Percent of Population	64.2	64.4	64.4	64.0	64.0	**64.0**	−0.3	0.0	−0.1
Employed	101.3	101.6	101.9	101.9	102.7	**102.9**	3.8	0.2	1.3
Employment − Population Ratio	58.1	58.2	58.4	58.3	58.7	**58.8**	2.8	0.2	0.1
Unemployed	10.6	10.7	10.4	9.9	9.4	**9.2**	−23.3	−2.1	−0.4
Unemployment Rate	9.5	9.5	9.3	8.8	8.4	**8.2**	−24.1	−2.4	−1.2
LIFE INSURANCE STATISTICS									
Annualized Premium ($ Million)	335.9	364.9	365.7	382.6	397.4	**541.4**	29.2	36.2	22.1
Face Amount ($ Billion)	35.0	38.4	37.6	38.7	39.8	**49.6**	18.9	24.6	24.8
Premium Per $1,000	9.59	9.51	9.72	9.89	9.99	**10.92**	8.7	9.3	−2.8
Average Policy Size (000)	47.0	47.1	45.9	46.1	47.7	**53.7**	8.5	12.6	16.3
Premium Per Policy	450	448	446	456	477	**587**	17.9	23.1	15.5
Number Of Ordinary Life Insurance Policies (000)	745.9	814.9	819.4	839.7	833.9	**922.7**	9.6	10.6	7.3
NET ENERGY GENERATION (BILLION KWH)									
Coal	121.6	129.3	108.9	102.0					
Petroleum	14.6	14.9	11.3	9.9					
Gas	29.6	33.1	28.0	23.8					
Nuclear	25.6	25.6	24.8	25.1					
Hydroelectric	28.0	25.8	21.7	20.7					
Other	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.7					
Total	220.1	229.5	195.4	182.2					

Louisiana Tourist Traffic Data

Visitors To Selected Tourist Attractions

							Growth Rate		
							Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	**Dec 83**	**Same Month Prior Year**	**Prior Month**	
Audubon State Commemorative Area	8,631	6,685	5,889	9,891	5,859	**10,717**	**108.9**	**82.9**	**−6.2**
Camp Moore State Commemorative Area	496	391	804	342	424	**287**	**7.5**	**−32.3**	**32.8**
Chemin-A-Haut State Park	8,836	7,088	3,351	2,419	2,063	**1,602**	**3.3**	**−22.3**	**−1.8**
Chicot State Park	40,588	26,388	27,281	65,042	21,660	**17,070**	**−26.1**	**−21.2**	**−28.6**
Cypremort Point State Park	13,970	12,808	7,824	2,836	3,066	**1,058**	**−29.3**	**−65.5**	**−34.0**
Edward Douglass White Memorial	129	27	39	32	23	**22**	**−12.0**	**−4.3**	**−46.0**
Fairview-Riverside State Park	27,850	23,920	15,792	9,179	11,262	**6,553**	**34.8**	**−41.8**	**−41.9**
Fontainbleau State Park	48,112	16,108	19,722	19,556	16,478	**12,840**	**−0.6**	**−22.1**	**19.7**
Fort Jesup State Commemorative Area	5,890	3,240	3,088	6,790	5,012	**5,906**	**11.4**	**17.8**	**−10.9**
Fort Pike State Commemorative Area	11,000	9,000	25,432	36,760	21,602	**11,976**	**139.5**	**−44.6**	**126.8**
Fort St. Jean Baptiste	1,691	908	556	1,439	1,346	**1,278**	**42.0**	**−5.1**	
Grand Isle State Park	32,101	27,000	17,925	10,262	5,938	**3,898**	**−9.9**	**−34.4**	**−28.5**
Hodges Gardens	4,267	3,192	1,986	2,494	1,056	**502**	**−28.9**	**−52.5**	**−6.1**
Indian Creek Recreational Area	30,607	15,509	7,049	4,243	2,432	**376**	**−42.2**	**−84.5**	**6.1**
Kent House State Commemorative Area	590	0	0	0	0	**0**			**−12.2**
Lake Bistineau State Park	27,878	13,439	9,352	7,052	4,007	**2,163**	**−37.9**	**−46.0**	**−0.8**
Lake Bruin State Park	2,838	3,410	2,250	1,988	2,578	**2,126**	**−36.2**	**−17.5**	**−0.8**
Lake Claiborne State Park	64,368	29,220	18,088	10,468	6,776	**3,090**	**415.0**	**−54.4**	**299.5**
Lake D'Arbonne State Park	6,478	2,743	3,081	2,008	1,509	**939**	**91.2**	**−37.8**	**12.6**
Longfellow-Evangeline State Park	21,704	13,594	12,690	15,038	18,278	**12,944**	**−19.8**	**−29.2**	**−39.8**
Los Adeas	24	29	321	27	22	**76**	**68.9**	**245.5**	**−6.8**
Louisiana State Arboretum	384	160	180	334	225	**112**		**−50.2**	
Louisiana State Exhibit Museum, Shreveport	27,600	24,800	26,800	101,000	26,800	**12,900**	**2.4**	**−51.9**	**−0.4**
Louisiana State Fairgrounds	16,583	25,525	91,200	730,430	14,410	**66,675**	**36.0**	**362.7**	**9.6**
Louisiana State Museum, New Orleans	15,516	10,876	5,454	5,979	5,969	**3,883**	**−63.6**	**−34.9**	**−27.7**
Mansfield State Commemorative Area	4,120	4,084	1,901	2,097	3,085	**505**	**−75.7**	**−83.6**	**−16.6**
Marksville State Commemorative Area	1,505	995	1,050	1,080	1,020	**3,434**	**312.7**	**236.7**	**40.9**
Old Arsenal Museum	8,074	5,884	3,104	4,802	3,589	**1,658**	**−39.9**	**−53.8**	**−4.5**
Old State Capitol	7,575	5,542	3,192	5,243	3,886	**3,082**	**−27.5**	**−20.7**	**−6.0**
Plaquemine Locks	204	135	145	74	260	**84**	**82.6**	**−67.7**	
Port Hudson	9,546	5,864	4,760	4,000	4,432	**3,420**		**−22.8**	
Poverty Point State Commemorative Area	4,469	3,425	3,356	3,979	2,359	**1,321**	**69.4**	**−44.0**	**−35.7**
Rebel State Commemorative Area	2,020	2,194	2,894	5,226	992	**1,066**	**2.4**	**7.5**	**46.6**
St. Bernard State Park	2,200	3,734	6,140	5,360	3,894	**2,950**	**−45.6**	**−24.2**	**−5.6**
Sam Houston Jones State Park	31,123	23,032	28,522	25,671	19,302	**8,829**	**−33.0**	**−54.3**	**−14.8**
Winter Quarters State Commemorative Area	119	165	90	56	51	**32**		**−37.3**	

Visitors To Tourist Information Stations

	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	**Dec 83**	**Same Month Prior Year**	**Prior Month**	**Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months**
Greenwood	24,662	19,647	11,350	12,798	10,019	**6,971**	**−35.3**	**−30.4**	**−2.9**
Kentwood (I-55)	11,559	9,276	6,731	7,941	6,442	**5,036**	**−22.5**	**−21.8**	**−14.4**
Louisiana State Capitol	23,848	21,276	14,931	18,000	17,152	**7,842**	**−4.0**	**−54.3**	**−13.3**
Mound Center (I-20 W)	20,369	13,587	8,181	8,020	9,430	**7,374**	**−22.8**	**−21.8**	**7.7**
New Orleans	11,327	12,329	9,592	12,722	8,947	**3,895**	**−62.4**	**−56.5**	**14.8**
Pearl River (I-59)	113,431	106,250	83,669	82,404	72,587	**54,934**	**60.0**	**−24.3**	**108.0**
St. Francisville	4,305	3,913	2,494	3,626	3,062	**1,063**	**−47.7**	**−65.3**	**1.6**
Slidell (I-10 W)	70,951	73,470	45,447	54,048	53,055	**67,545**	**4.2**	**27.3**	**−10.0**
Toledo Bend	3,119	2,300	1,717	1,817	1,582	**751**	**−42.6**	**−52.5**	**−1.2**
Vidalia	2,093	1,636	1,401	1,758	1,261	**786**	**−22.5**	**−37.7**	**3.8**
Vinton (I-10 E)	38,201	25,816	15,785	18,118	19,494	**20,752**	**9.4**	**6.5**	**10.2**

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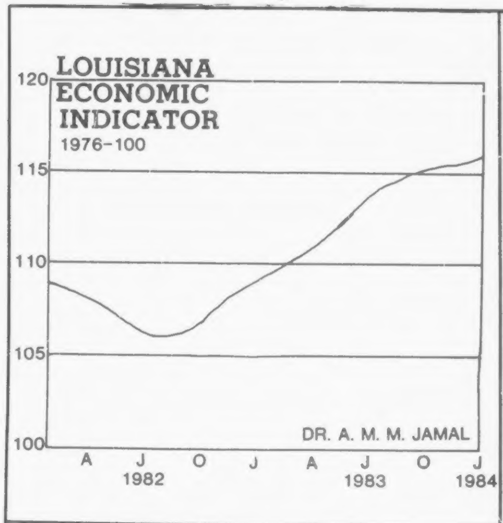
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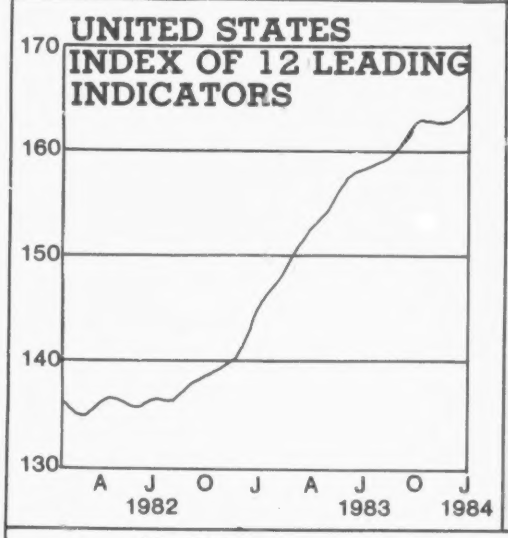
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The Division's Economic Report

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Revised estimates indicate that the U.S. Gross National Product (GNP) increased at an annual rate of 8.3 percent in the first quarter of 1984. Consumer spending and investments in business inventories lead the growth in economic activities. Although the economy expanded much faster than anticipated last quarter, the growth rate is expected to decrease this quarter. Industrial production increased 0.4 percent in March, following a 1.4 percent gain in January and a one percent increase in February. Industrial capacity utilization averaged 80.9 percent in March. Since this is close to the traditional average utilization limit, a more intense utilization of the production capacity could cause inflation to accelerate. The Producer Price Index (PPI) increased 6.1 percent in the first quarter compared with a 1 percent increase in the fourth quarter of 1983. However, the Consumer Price Index increased only 0.2 percent in March, which

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Monthly Summary

Louisiana	FEBRUARY 1984	
Employment Statistics		
Unemployment Rate		
New Hampshire	5.1	
Connecticut	5.2	
Virginia	5.4	
South Dakota	5.4	
Nebraska	5.6	
Louisiana	**9.8**	
Washington	11.6	
Michigan	12.7	
Alabama	12.8	
Alaska	13.1	
Civilian Labor Force (000)	1,896.0	1.8
Number of Unemployed (000)	192.1	8.9
Unemployments Benefits Paid		
Number of Weeks	277,683	0.4
Dollar Amount Paid	30,998,394	6.8
Average Weekly Manufacturing		
Hours	41.7	0.3
Earnings	421.17	4.2
Number of New Claims	35,148	0.0
Number of Exhaustions	7,879	32.3
Construction		
Number of Construction Contracts	3071	56.6
Value of Construction Contracts ($ Million)		
Residential	138.6	44.2
Non-Residential	118.3	-20.5
Non-Building	33.9	35.7
Revenue Collections		
Severance Tax	106,084,565	-7.9
General Sales Tax	55,709,727	-3.8
Motor Vehicle Tax	8,903,512	0.7
Gasoline Tax	12,596,777	1.6
Individual Income Tax	19,446,294	18.0
Corporation Income Tax	474,086	0.3
Corporation Franchise Tax	2,762,680	9.0
Tobacco Tax & Permits Tax	4,544,085	-2.7
Liquor & Wine Tax	1,272,505	-1.0
Beer Tax	2,172,349	-2.3
Inheritance Tax	3,268,649	7.2
Soft Drink Tax & Permit Fees	634,912	5.1
Royalties	47,060,307	
Total Revenues	215,669,339	-1.6
General Business Activity		
Coal Exports (Tons)	259,316	
New Corporation	1,127	-25.9
Dissolutions	37	0.0
Telephones Lines	1,709,441	
Total Mortgage Loans Closed for Jan 84	216,600,00	
Total New Cars Sold	12,888	
Total New Trucks Sold	6,622	
International	**December 1983**	
Exports, F.A.S. Value	17,179.8	
Imports, Custom Value	22,447.5	
Merchandise Trade Balance	-5,267.7	
United States	**February 1984**	
Employment Statistics (000)		
Civilian Non-Institutional Population	175,679	
Civilian Labor Force	112,693	
Percent of the Population	64.1	
Employed	103,892	
Employed/Population Percent	59.1	
Unemployed	8,801	
Unemployment Rate	7.8	
Index Numbers (1967=100)		
Consumer Price Index - All Items	306.6	
Industrial Price Index - Total Index	160.0	
Producer Price Index - Finished Goods	290.6	
12 Leading Indicators	165.9	

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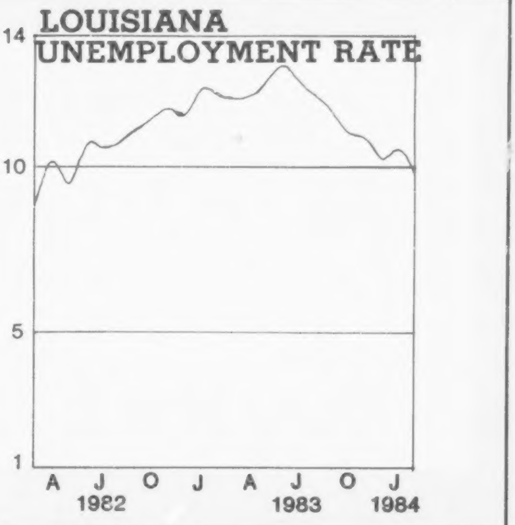

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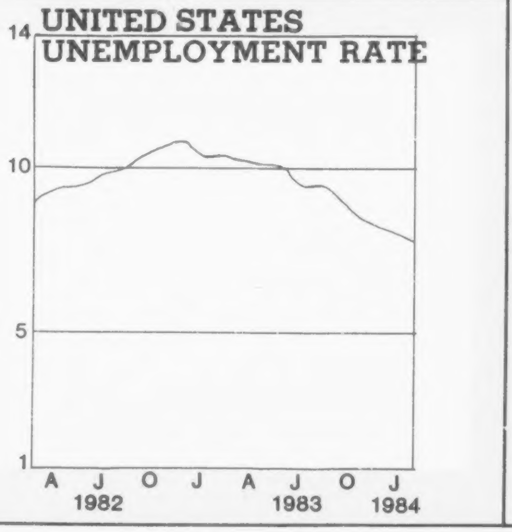

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Economic Report—
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continues the moderate growth in consumer prices experienced during the past two years.

The U.S. unemployment rate in March was 7.7 percent, which was unchanged since February. The unemployment rate for adult men fell to 6.8 percent, the rate for adult women was stable at 6.9 percent and the rate for teenagers increased to 19.9 percent. The median duration of unemployment remained unchanged at 8.3 weeks. The U.S. Leading Economic Indicators increased 0.7 percent in February which suggests that the national economy should continue to grow at somewhat moderate levels during the next few months.

Although Louisiana's economic recovery is lagging behind the national recovery, the state is catching up. Louisiana's unemployment rate dropped to 9.1 percent in March from 10.1 percent in February. A comparison of preliminary data for unemployment rates in February showed Louisiana's unemployment rate ranked 15th highest among the 50 states. This was a considerable improvement over previous months when Louisiana was ranked fourth or fifth highest. West Virginia has the highest unemployment rate (16.5%), Alabama was ranked 3rd with 12.8%; Mississippi was ranked ninth with 10.8%; Arkansas was ranked 13th with 10.0% and that prosperous neighbor to the west ranked 10th *lowest* in the nation with a 5.9% unemployment rate.

The metropolitan unemployment rates in Louisiana ranged from 6.0 percent in Lafayette to 13.6 percent in Lake Charles. The Baton Rouge metropolitan area had an unemployment rate of 7.1 percent which was more than ½ percentage point below the national average. Each of the metropolitan areas experienced a drop in unemployment rates and, with exception of Calcasieu Parish, the metropolitan areas of the state are doing fairly well. The economic problem in Louisiana is primarily a rural one. For example, the unemployment rate in West Carroll Parish is 25%; in Allen Parish it's 22%; in East Carroll it's 20%; and in Franklin and Morehouse Parishes it's 17%. Perhaps some perspective on these rates can be obtained from the realization that the average national unemployment rate during the depression decade of the 1930s was 18 percent. Thirty-four of Louisiana's 47 rural parishes have unemployment rates of ten percent or higher. The most pressing problem of economic development in the state is the creation of jobs in these rural parishes.

Compared with March 1983, employment in retail trade during March 1984 increased a "whopping" 12%, reflecting a strong consumer expenditure growth in Louisiana. Employment in the service sectors increased 8.5% since March 1983; restaurant and cocktail lounge employment increased 5.7% and construction increased 2.8%. Employment *decreased* 4.3% in mining; 3.5% in transportation (generally marine related) and 3% in communications and public utilities.

The discussion of the fiscal plight of the state has concealed the continuing improvement in the state economy. During the past year, employment has increased 4 percent in Louisiana and the unemployment rate has decreased nearly 30%. Drilling permits have increased 19%. The 12 percent increase in retail sales employment should soon be reflected in increased sales tax collections and the increase in drilling permits suggests a rebirth of oil patch activity which, generally, should be reflected in increasing state revenues from future oil and gas production. Although serious long term structural problems exist in the Louisiana economy, the recent performance of the economy and the short term future provide sound reasons for optimism except for many of the state's rural parishes. The Louisiana Economic Indicators rose 8/10ths of one percent in February which suggest a growing economy throughout the summer. The state unemployment rate is likely to drop even further in April and May and then to increase slightly in June and July due to the increase in the labor force caused by the influx of graduating students. However, the World's Fair should provide a healthy stimulus to the economy and it looks like 1984 is going to be a good year for the Louisiana economy. Happily, economics is not always a dismal science.

Economic Indicators: LOUISIANA

							Percent Change		
							Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
	Sep 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	Dec 83	Jan 84	**Feb 84**	Same Month Prior Year	**Prior Month**	
EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS									
Civilian Labor Force (000)	1924.3	1933.9	1924.9	1891.4	1887.8	1896.0	1.1	0.4	1.8
Total Unemployed (000)	225.5	213.9	208.9	195.3	200.0	192.1	−19.4	−4.0	8.9
Unemployment Rate	11.7	11.1	10.9	10.1	10.6	10.1	−20.5	−4.7	6.5
Unemployment Benefits Paid (000 Weeks)	273.1	248.8	259.9	254.8	285.0	277.7	−27.6	−2.6	0.4
New Claims (000)	32.0	35.4	43.0	37.8	56.0	35.1	−21.8	−37.3	−0.0
Unemployment Benefits Paid ($ Million)	42.4	38.4	39.7	38.7	42.8	41.0	−29.3	−4.2	6.8
Exhaustions (000)	8.6	8.7	8.6	8.0	8.5	7.9	−18.6	−7.1	32.3
Total Number Employed (000)									
Nonagricultural	1587.2	1597.1	1597.1	1580.7	1556.1	1562.5	1.1	0.4	−1.4
Wholesale And Retail Trade	367.4	368.1	370.9	380.1	369.7	368.0	4.0	−0.5	0.2
Government	309.6	314.6	315.3	320.0	314.4	320.3	0.9	1.9	1.5
Services	307.8	308.1	307.3	307.9	307.2	309.2	2.7	0.7	1.4
Manufacturing	192.6	194.4	193.0	178.4	174.9	175.5	−2.6	0.3	−6.6
Transportation & Public Utilities	124.0	124.1	123.9	115.6	113.7	114.2	−4.8	0.4	−5.2
Construction	115.0	116.4	115.0	115.8	113.1	111.8	2.3	−1.1	−5.5
Finance, Insurance, And Real Estate	80.2	80.1	80.1	83.4	83.4	83.5	3.7	0.1	2.1
Mining	90.6	91.3	91.6	79.5	79.7	80.0	−4.8	0.4	−7.9
Average Weekly Manufacturing Hours	40.5	40.2	39.6	40.7	41.5	41.7	5.8	0.5	0.3
Average Weekly Manufacturing Earnings	402.17	392.75	383.72	402.12	422.47	421.17	11.2	−0.3	4.2
REVENUE COLLECTIONS ($ MILLION)									
Severance Tax	61.6	73.8	58.8	66.7	70.0	106.1	59.8	51.6	−7.9
General Sales Tax	60.5	62.7	63.4	61.7	76.9	55.7	6.5	−27.6	−3.8
Motor Vehicle Tax	9.1	8.8	8.2	9.1	9.2	8.9	27.1	−3.3	0.7
Gasoline Tax	13.8	13.6	14.0	14.1	14.0	12.6	9.6	−10.0	1.6
Individual Income Tax	24.4	26.6	32.3	22.6	35.1	19.4	−876.0	−44.7	18.0
Corporation Income Tax	45.4	8.2	10.5	42.3	12.9	0.5	−64.3	−96.1	0.3
Corporation Franchise Tax	5.8	4.3	15.6	1.5	2.5	2.8	12.0	12.0	9.0
Tobacco Tax And Permits	5.0	5.2	5.0	5.0	5.5	4.5	18.4	−18.2	−2.7
Inheritance Tax	3.8	2.5	4.6	2.3	2.8	3.3	17.9	17.9	7.2
Alcoholic Beverages									
Liquor & Wine Tax	1.6	1.6	1.5	2.5	2.7	1.3	8.3	−51.9	−1.0
Beer Tax, State	3.5	2.8	2.8	2.5	2.7	2.2	4.8	−18.5	−2.3
Special Fuels	2.3	2.6	2.4	2.1	2.7	2.2	10.0	−18.5	9.0
Soft Drink Tax & Permit Fees	1.0	1.1	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.6	0.0	−25.0	5.1
Parish & Municipality Beer Tax	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.0	−25.0	−1.9
Total Revenues	230.9	208.4	220.9	227.1	237.1	215.7	40.6	−9.0	−1.6
CONSTRUCTION									
Value Of Construction Contracts ($ Million)									
Residential	161.0	175.1	162.9	145.8	144.7	138.6	33.4	−4.2	44.2
Nonresidential	77.2	123.2	158.7	76.8	127.0	118.3	68.8	−6.9	−20.5
Nonbuilding	147.6	76.1	58.1	62.4	70.5	33.9	−48.3	−51.9	35.7
Number Of Construction Contracts	3,454	3,885	3,661	3,231	3,424	3,071	45.1	−10.3	56 6
CRUDE PETROLEUM & LEASE CONDENSATE PRODUCTION									
North Louisiana (42−Gal Bbls (000))	2,790	2,914	2,790						
South Louisiana (42−Gal Bbls (000))	36,210	37,417	36,270						
Crude Runs To Stills ((000) Bbls, Daily Avg)	1761.0	1635.1							
GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY									
Coal Exports (000 Tons)	765.4	804.0	422.1	211.9	560.5	259.3			
Dissoluuons	55	32	26	50	22	37	76.2	68.2	0.0
New Corporations	1,287	727	439	981	879	1,127	53.1	28.2	−25.9
Telephone Lines (000)				1703.5	1705.5	1709.4			
Total Mortgage Loans Closed ($ Million)	266.8	252.6	251.5	261.0	216.6				
MOTOR FUEL CONSUMPTION (MILLION GALLONS)									
Gasoline	180.6	188.4	177.3	186.2	178.5				
Highway Diesel	31.5	28.9	25.6	32.8	26.8				
Highway LPG	0.5	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.7				
Total Fuel Consumption	212.6	218.0	203.6	219.6	206.0				
VITAL STATISTICS									
Births	7,284	6,604	2,737						
Deaths	2,720	2,734	1,445						

NEW CARS & TRUCK SALES

													Percent Change		
													Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
	Mar 83	Apr 83	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	Dec 83	Jan 84	**Feb 84**	Same Month Prior Year	Prior Month	
NEW CAR SALES															
Buick	1,131	1,133	1,178	1,271	1,080	1,429	1,082	1,145	1,104	1,040	1,098	**1,104**	60.0	**0.5**	
Cadillac	446	408	409	473	411	432	435	402	416	478	489	**431**	85.0	−11.9	
Chevrolet	1,642	1,658	1,864	2,079	1,581	1,850	1,541	1,664	1,666	1,674	1,941	**1,713**	77.1	−11.7	
Chrysler	285	291	265	326	275	315	286	271	238	245	259	**282**	86.8	**8.9**	
Datsun	793	847	788	901	713	887	792	637	595	738	779	**693**	25.3	−11.0	
Dodge	459	272	359	406	413	361	273	378	274	338	332	**385**	71.1	**16.0**	
Ford	1,645	1,454	1,581	1,827	1,545	1,657	1,615	2,047	1,581	1,610	1,794	**1,890**	92.7	**5.4**	
Honda	210	260	264	351	268	376	312	375	338	391	418	**427**	114.6	**2.2**	
Lincoln	207	202	226	244	234	297	310	307	294	202	201	**221**	20.1	**10.0**	
Mazda	262	212	233	262	223	276	263	244	196	190	157	**198**	32.0	**26.1**	
Mercury	623	642	634	668	551	733	565	613	647	574	589	**732**	73.9	**24.3**	
Oldsmobile	1,994	1,783	1,736	2,209	1,809	2,185	1,745	1,861	1,812	1,788	1,811	**1,984**	60.4	**9.6**	
Plymouth	227	171	205	170	149	171	137	210	217	286	268	**215**	138.9	−19.8	
Pontiac	721	694	747	974	784	932	851	1,011	941	795	1,091	**944**	−76.6	−13.5	
Renault	82	101	74	120	87	161	106	108	80	102	92	**115**	109.1	**25.0**	
Toyota	844	688	751	883	878	975	703	747	803	741	835	**803**	50.1	−3.8	
Volkswagen	81	86	88	107	68	86	87	57	69	79	112	**138**	181.6	**23.2**	
Volvo	110	123	144	148	102	169	120	116	107	118	106	**123**	108.5	**16.0**	
Other	522	485	424	585	513	466	540	476	402	476	556	**490**	62.3	−11.9	
Total Car Sales	12,284	11,510	11,970	14,004	11,684	13,758	11,763	12,669	11,780	11,865	12,928	**12,888**	15.9	−0.3	
NEW TRUCK SALES															
Chevrolet	1,633	1,659	1,648	2,061	1,701	1,926	1,652	1,802	1,795	1,903	1,831	**1,703**	85.7	−7.0	
Datsun	173	174	181	237	243	306	251	222	118	191	208	**457**	371.1	**119.7**	
Dodge	507	532	528	644	434	529	475	455	459	517	585	**641**	164.9	**9.6**	
Ford	1,855	2,070	1,986	2,339	1,828	2,095	1,927	2,054	2,116	2,066	2,155	**2,087**	79.0	−3.2	
GMC	528	529	514	580	462	539	383	514	493	500	509	**494**	81.6	−2.9	
Mazda	128	129	83	132	101	176	126	131	123	143	160	**209**	161.2	**30.6**	
Toyota	272	303	325	502	421	547	540	437	330	393	652	**672**	263.2	**3.1**	
Other	298	330	267	308	246	318	307	302	315	358	394	**359**	115.0	−8.9	
Total Truck Sales	5,394	5,726	5,532	6,803	5,436	6,436	5,661	5,917	5,749	6,071	6,494	**6,622**	111.8	**2.0**	

Louisiana State Sales Tax Collection

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(Collections For Indicated Month Based On Sales For Preceding Month)

							Percent Change		
							Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
	Sep 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	Dec 83	Jan 84	**Feb 84**	Same Month Prior Year	**Prior Month**	
Sugar Refineries	8,070	8,932	10,559	4,859	15,630	**8,924**	37.7	−42.9	−27.2
Petroleum/ Natural Gas	119,746	142,431	107,265	104,268	177,767	**120,110**	−10.6	−32.4	−3.1
Petroleum Refineries	198,514	260,646	244,398	254,718	264,841	**322,947**	−1.3	**21.9**	−59.3
Sawmills/ Sash & Door	7,609	7,859	9,026	8,025	11,113	**10,459**	1.8	−5.9	−72.0
Sand and Gravel	299,846	358,084	300,530	301,084	243,231	**216,502**	−0.7	−11.0	0.5
Rice Mills	2,960	1,001	1,387	1,495	2,321	**1,306**	18.9	−43.7	195.4
Cotton Seed Oil	1,866	1,406	1,944	2,008	2,790	**2,190**	0.8	−21.5	10.8
Ice Manufacture	31,110	25,670	23,254	13,191	9,777	**6,337**	−50.6	−35.2	−10.0
Other Manufacturers	4,568,215	4,912,599	5,269,063	4,683,711	4,853,805	**4,591,089**	−9.1	−5.4	−19.6
Bus Lines/ Etc.	241	596	175	207	452	**71**	82.1	−84.3	0.0
Trucking/ Freight/ Etc.	1,618	984	7,995	2,375	2,486	**985**	−34.9	−60.4	57.4
Fire Protection	21,511	26,441	20,904	21,156	19,825	**30,160**	79.4	**52.1**	−6.1
Pipelines	542	1,032	626	1,364	666	**2,160**	300.7	**224.3**	−45.4
Light/ Power/ Gas	80,169	65,589	68,772	85,489	97,437	**67,071**	−30.9	−31.2	−14.4
Telephone/ Telegraph	8,448	6,869	7,185	7,053	6,349	**3,428**	−69.4	−46.0	−26.1
Other Utilities	44,717	383,979	257,874	57,558	31,091	**89,704**	10.5	**188.5**	36.7
Book Stores/ Etc.	304,357	388,871	280,072	278,815	400,129	**415,064**	−1.1	**3.7**	−11.6
Itinerant Vendors	9,342	9,527	8,327	8,176	9,384	**7,654**	4.0	−18.4	−15.7
Piano/ Musical Instruments	274,200	315,161	236,574	238,212	499,866	**235,066**	4.8	−53.0	−6.6
Iron/ Sheet Metal/ Etc.	40,733	52,558	51,821	38,492	49,868	**42,784**	16.2	−14.2	−18.3
Photo Studios	237,509	255,222	230,369	245,783	307,640	**206,022**	1.4	−33.0	1.1
Cigar Stores/ News	496,193	537,202	492,774	471,802	546,413	**434,693**	9.8	−20.4	8.9
Florists/ Nurseries	164,124	208,626	204,098	180,715	304,515	**165,621**	7.8	−45.6	3.1
Funeral Parlors	96,757	99,080	101,249	97,465	113,283	**119,507**	19.4	**5.5**	9.0
Fishing Bait	121,223	141,343	194,620	216,606	90,285	**135,149**	25.2	**49.7**	13.8
Miscellaneous	5,640,337	5,934,785	6,294,754	4,858,012	6,416,410	**5,702,327**	12.6	−11.1	−38.9
Common Carriers	255,981	290,691	236,225	271,636	284,849	**281,021**	3.6	−1.3	−23.6
Total Sales Tax	60,453,052	62,719,175	63,438,392	61,683,336	76,887,384	**55,684,231**	6.6	−27.6	−3.8

Louisiana State Sales Tax Collections by Commodity

(Collections For Indicated Month Based On Sales For Preceding Month)

	Sep 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	Dec 83	Jan 84	Feb 84	Percent Change		
							Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
							Same Month Prior Year	Prior Month	
Grocery Stores	2,074,420	2,539,366	2,221,587	1,977,189	2,411,239	**1,983,992**	**6.9**	**−17.7**	**6.4**
Fruit and Vegetable Stores	101,071	103,624	107,451	101,354	105,914	**99,656**	**9.6**	**−5.9**	**9.9**
Meat and Seafood Stores	274,110	292,811	266,842	263,501	289,997	**256,568**	**1.9**	**−11.5**	**−0.1**
Restaurants and Cafes	2,381,467	2,562,257	2,464,345	2,325,439	2,413,925	**2,236,888**	**4.8**	**−7.3**	**6.9**
Saloons/ Bars/ Package Liquors	2,285,879	2,299,644	2,095,041	2,563,115	2,695,220	**1,786,236**	**2.6**	**−33.7**	**0.9**
Dairy/ Egg/ Poultry	164,008	151,613	243,735	147,434	174,017	**132,220**	**7.4**	**−24.0**	**16.6**
Bakeries	46,943	44,143	62,961	51,300	58,080	**55,289**	**5.8**	**−4.8**	**−2.1**
Chain Stores (Food)	350,943	515,773	573,775	470,094	674,025	**572,323**	**175.6**	**−15.1**	**4.2**
Other Foods	1,208,342	1,307,896	1,139,907	1,160,081	1,381,471	**1,080,763**	**14.6**	**−21.8**	**7.2**
Men and Boy's Clothing	244,238	216,735	241,028	289,674	550,241	**230,228**	**−3.4**	**−58.2**	**−1.9**
Women's Ready To Wear	539,816	518,776	582,173	603,414	953,230	**472,562**	**11.4**	**−50.4**	**4.2**
Millinery	397,947	485,446	416,761	552,150	977,437	**314,673**	**−7.1**	**−67.8**	**6.6**
Shoe Stores	636,985	521,587	562,579	569,581	874,678	**428,068**	**−35.7**	**−51.1**	**−41.2**
Salvage Clothing	3,674	6,297	4,817	4,940	5,681	**3,972**	**11.7**	**−30.1**	**52.2**
Children's Clothing	45,278	48,603	38,369	45,548	55,553	**41,614**	**−22.1**	**−25.1**	**−1.7**
Chain Stores (Clothing)	465	1,133	257	662	761	**384**	**−72.6**	**−49.5**	**−49.3**
Other Apparel	600,533	593,642	604,174	692,460	1,158,076	**530,646**	**17.8**	**−54.2**	**9.2**
Department Stores	2,403,533	2,189,072	1,912,113	3,184,385	4,627,622	**1,685,660**	**30.9**	**−63.6**	**30.9**
Country and Farm Stores	9,263	8,528	6,971	7,464	15,451	**3,973**	**−64.8**	**−74.3**	**−17.6**
Variety Stores	1,689,451	1,602,654	1,746,422	1,969,088	3,623,937	**1,186,646**	**−6.7**	**−67.3**	**3.3**
Drug Stores	919,526	891,906	845,578	944,354	1,669,439	**889,037**	**6.5**	**−46.7**	**5.7**
Jewelry/ Leather/ Sporting Goods	1,022,411	1,038,522	1,050,996	1,445,557	3,039,473	**869,472**	**2.4**	**−71.4**	**7.6**
Feed and Seed	103,878	127,964	108,863	101,558	149,477	**109,798**	**18.5**	**−26.5**	**3.2**
Hardware Stores	1,138,378	1,084,444	1,045,816	1,048,337	1,160,821	**1,023,240**	**0.2**	**−11.9**	**−3.5**
Farm Implement Dealers	593,058	621,340	600,726	453,304	408,257	**433,917**	**8.0**	**6.3**	**−12.2**
Chain Stores (General Merchandise)	2,013,036	1,645,286	1,812,806	2,479,241	3,078,209	**1,397,244**	**9.8**	**−54.6**	**3.1**
Other General Merchandise	812,534	893,893	877,332	1,054,090	1,570,480	**698,330**	**9.2**	**−55.5**	**1.6**
Motor Vehicle Dealers	784,604	674,785	688,514	645,397	640,125	**666,044**	**9.8**	**4.0**	**−0.6**
Auto Parts/ Tires/ Etc.	1,890,690	1,973,669	1,854,436	1,719,541	1,799,437	**1,666,398**	**8.2**	**−7.4**	**3.6**
Service Stations	679,481	838,686	751,106	649,711	944,370	**275,719**	**−50.0**	**−70.8**	**−13.8**
Garages/ Repair Shops	768,532	964,354	716,501	700,946	872,278	**786,762**	**5.5**	**−9.8**	**−2.8**
Diesel Fuel/ Fuel Oil	37,194	53,574	121,112	44,889	240,081	**53,281**	**35.7**	**−77.8**	**58.4**
Marine Supplies	125,558	137,519	117,[illegible]45	89,047	189,666	**106,296**	**13.2**	**−44.0**	**−22.0**
Motor Boats/ Etc.	79,673	76,499	69,328	75,359	67,055	**44,204**	**−14.9**	**−34.1**	**−12.5**
Aircraft/ Etc.	26,193	38,971	55,848	36,715	53,008	**39,507**	**−31.8**	**−25.5**	**−40.0**
Chain Stores (Automotive)	896,699	650,092	1,094,727	859,050	798,910	**773,757**	**4.2**	**−3.1**	**−1.5**
Other Automotive	110,685	80,074	46,123	97,307	99,118	**73,350**	**17.7**	**−26.0**	**−7.3**
Furniture Stores	663,397	637,567	681,761	750,063	906,737	**596,911**	**5.0**	**−34.2**	**5.7**
Electric and Gas Appliances	1,144,354	1,245,447	1,006,773	1,185,290	1,653,141	**1,083,642**	**16.8**	**−34.4**	**11.1**
Butane Dealers	674,536	660,303	760,979	671,508	789,932	**756,516**	**4.1**	**−4.2**	**−23.6**
Store/ Office Furniture	1,167,559	1,118,095	1,240,796	1,117,846	1,394,910	**1,598,089**	**123.6**	**14.6**	**17.2**
Hotel/ Restaurant Supplies	218,803	191,785	208,761	1,937,020	216,401	**192,420**	**−31.2**	**−11.1**	**56.2**
Awnings/ Blinds/ Upholstery	263,658	284,031	261,521	281,771	259,912	**294,736**	**34.1**	**13.4**	**−2.9**
Dental/ Medical Supplies	389,884	428,115	291,454	376,568	280,975	**265,672**	**−20.8**	**−5.4**	**14.6**
Safes/ Locks	31,563	35,357	39,896	31,624	48,654	**28,177**	**−36.3**	**−42.1**	**−4.6**
Chain Stores (Furniture)	890	921	0	951	498	**1,757**	**103.4**	**252.8**	**0.0**
Other Furniture	251,416	301,988	256,948	261,272	330,181	**276,738**	**32.3**	**−16.2**	**20.3**
Building Contractors/ Construction	178,638	263,647	217,648	147,167	149,090	**118,997**	**4.6**	**−20.2**	**−13.0**
Lumber/ Paint/ Wallpaper Stores	3,873,368	3,780,609	4,305,336	3,669,013	3,339,570	**2,809,748**	**2.2**	**−15.9**	**16.9**
Electric /Plumbing /Elevators /Heating Materials	2,037,835	2,028,914	2,196,991	1,956,713	2,022,391	**2,446,956**	**40.0**	**21.0**	**−7.4**
Oil Well Equipment	1,941,471	1,839,756	2,158,244	2,270,549	2,537,761	**2,230,371**	**−13.7**	**−12.1**	**−41.4**
Contractors (Electrical, Etc.)	184,098	182,508	189,634	173,989	202,016	**342,106**	**90.3**	**69.3**	**2.3**
Contractors (Paint)	10,617	12,607	12,449	9,187	12,634	**9,074**	**−10.0**	**−28.2**	**−9.2**
Contractors (Roofing and Sheet Metal)	62,588	40,360	42,127	38,139	33,136	**40,827**	**21.3**	**23.2**	**12.3**
Trucks/ Dragline/ Etc.	1,555,650	1,845,219	1,693,732	1,593,086	1,771,035	**1,452,285**	**17.2**	**−18.0**	**−10.1**
Other Contractors	344,174	451,312	398,332	322,440	426,373	**293,098**	**−21.7**	**−31.3**	**−10.3**
Hotels/ Motels/ Etc.	864,843	761,335	896,823	847,472	803,409	**748,438**	**12.2**	**−6.8**	**1.6**
Leasing/ Renting	1,430,989	1,555,809	2,271,185	1,468,478	2,389,603	**1,461,700**	**−6.5**	**−38.8**	**−5.7**
Bowling/ Billiards	12,979	14,680	13,988	13,485	15,553	**23,106**	**70.9**	**48.6**	**15.4**
Laundry/ Tailoring	262,205	281,928	280,818	276,257	318,783	**280,099**	**5.9**	**−12.1**	**2.7**
Newspapers/ Printing	645,373	691,606	648,063	614,192	613,648	**607,082**	**−0.9**	**−1.1**	**−4.3**
Cotton Gins/ Etc.	943	804	833	636	609	**486**	**−9.7**	**−20.2**	**116.7**
Warehouses	33,373	38,650	30,199	32,339	108,031	**28,001**	**−29.6**	**−74.1**	**11.0**
Shoe Repair/ Shine	12,255	16,464	13,084	15,206	23,246	**13,457**	**8.3**	**−42.1**	**1.2**
Machine Shops/ Welding	521,287	557,919	530,662	533,478	686,674	**616,849**	**11.8**	**−10.2**	**−19.0**
Other Service Groups	600,691	615,651	534,105	521,841	553,011	**448,095**	**−4.4**	**−19.0**	**6.2**
Beverage Bottlers	524,574	538,419	408,405	364,178	338,124	**331,269**	**32.8**	**−2.0**	**3.6**

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							Percent Change		
							Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
	Sep 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	Dec 83	Jan 84	**Feb 84**	Same Month Prior Year	**Prior Month**	
Acadia	361,400	396,174	332,498	354,473	426,461	**304,864**	−7.4	−28.5	−30.9
Allen	57,649	66,629	63,078	62,141	86,945	**51,128**	0.1	−41.2	6.7
Ascension	462,305	428,112	391,680	395,097	505,399	**338,401**	8.8	−33.0	5.1
Assumption	72,348	61,781	52,547	54,612	62,926	**49,727**	20.3	−21.0	−7.5
Avoyelles	115,558	121,317	126,502	104,666	145,921	**88,862**	−6.9	−39.1	−8.2
Beauregard	157,990	168,836	186,441	181,228	234,588	**145,094**	6.9	−38.1	1.5
Bienville	35,919	39,329	31,241	30,074	46,172	**34,119**	74.7	−26.1	21.7
Bossier	650,217	647,197	599,599	534,745	755,941	**493,071**	21.2	−34.8	11.3
Caddo	3,732,337	3,776,048	3,573,564	3,567,070	4,297,354	**3,229,687**	2.9	−24.8	−1.8
Calcasieu	1,950,891	1,982,454	1,868,422	1,946,451	2,235,490	**1,585,443**	4.6	−29.1	5.0
Caldwell	33,721	35,691	26,949	34,893	41,518	**40,446**	89.1	−2.6	3.5
Cameron	47,030	52,981	42,494	36,731	41,306	**32,214**	11.3	−22.0	9.0
Catahoula	47,137	68,635	58,718	56,002	63,828	**39,362**	25.8	−38.3	−0.5
Claiborne	71,217	76,586	70,449	70,226	93,999	**60,882**	−5.7	−35.2	−1.6
Concordia	92,564	98,681	98,652	100,042	113,812	**70,253**	−0.4	−38.3	5.3
Desoto	119,317	94,377	110,437	108,863	125,205	**90,544**	13.2	−27.7	−19.6
East Baton Rouge	5,912,773	5,997,324	5,947,175	6,369,290	7,887,070	**5,393,569**	3.4	−31.6	5.6
East Carroll	41,688	39,917	54,935	45,392	42,761	**36,626**	29.3	−14.3	1.1
East Feliciana	31,462	32,290	43,626	36,754	50,022	**30,013**	8.5	−40.0	3.3
Evangeline	132,199	132,162	117,301	184,309	168,283	**104,104**	36.3	−38.1	13.4
Franklin	82,149	89,890	81,852	76,377	90,709	**59,151**	11.5	−34.8	3.5
Grant	11,907	25,232	10,986	13,787	23,025	**11,545**	−27.2	−49.9	−9.3
Iberia	600,344	635,057	611,177	579,611	712,616	**630,847**	19.3	−11.5	−15.0
Iberville	124,396	365,999	308,689	350,106	65,663	**311,691**	139.2	374.7	5.5
Jackson	170,394	86,920	69,645	81,456	113,887	**63,389**	8.2	−44.3	−23.9
Jefferson	5,824,470	6,042,969	5,595,194	6,200,192	6,836,622	**5,269,472**	25.9	−22.9	13.7
Jefferson Davis	182,412	173,222	213,605	100,713	265,685	**138,355**	3.4	−47.9	−7.4
Lafayette	3,076,374	3,183,319	3,152,235	3,145,881	4,337,235	**3,033,640**	−3.1	−30.1	−14.6
Lafourche	446,968	580,322	439,306	433,017	505,859	**357,415**	−6.5	−29.3	0.8
Lasalle	87,884	85,263	94,103	69,673	123,153	**66,616**	5.9	−45.9	−4.7
Lincoln	275,789	377,226	300,826	304,802	332,637	**233,011**	6.9	−30.0	0.2
Livingston	179,549	189,542	201,679	177,305	219,264	**150,216**	11.8	−31.5	17.0
Madison	39,040	38,489	43,669	39,131	53,396	**27,461**	−3.3	−48.6	−5.1
Morehouse	203,247	104,459	217,727	103,301	158,353	**196,652**	223.7	24.2	−6.1
Natchitoches	222,132	213,268	297,094	164,669	221,852	**168,699**	−2.5	−24.0	2.8
Orleans	9,017,935	9,239,581	9,828,586	9,102,617	11,678,991	**7,871,508**	−7.7	−32.6	−2.8
Ouachita	2,052,029	1,992,697	1,181,085	1,968,226	2,447,809	**1,513,242**	5.1	−38.2	7.3
Plaquemines	431,849	250,640	262,740	251,322	343,785	**265,248**	−17.3	−22.8	−9.6
Pointe Coupe	76,251	83,591	68,987	56,017	70,731	**58,746**	33.9	−16.9	7.6
Rapides	1,187,317	1,250,921	1,195,802	199,294	1,372,760	**990,325**	14.5	−27.9	6.4
Red River	34,050	35,606	33,948	29,394	41,458	**28,084**	7.2	−32.3	7.8
Richland	90,951	82,973	90,758	76,989	95,500	**65,724**	13.4	−31.2	2.0
Sabine	100,430	107,551	88,911	81,040	107,815	**80,756**	−39.1	−25.1	−18.0
St. Bernard	234,810	243,024	191,856	141,677	216,809	**146,587**	−28.7	−32.4	−28.8
St. Charles	238,565	249,768	246,567	245,250	269,463	**246,095**	20.4	−8.7	−53.5
St. Helena	12,376	25,834	14,113	7,632	20,128	**11,006**	74.7	−45.3	42.9
St. James	92,681	84,262	98,300	87,509	107,713	**67,438**	2.1	−37.4	11.7
St. John	264,262	391,261	272,263	280,654	282,666	**251,672**	46.5	−11.0	29.6
St. Landry	461,680	451,022	446,825	450,133	552,515	**446,327**	20.5	−19.2	−18.5
St. Martin	144,557	169,039	309,521	154,974	189,067	**134,941**	32.0	−28.6	1.5
St. Mary	558,238	538,373	596,516	605,211	676,203	**555,951**	3.7	−17.8	−24.8
St. Tammany	833,909	863,426	949,539	856,396	936,744	**637,247**	21.6	−32.0	23.3
Tangipahoa	501,408	504,354	447,281	464,178	558,416	**384,917**	3.2	−31.1	0.8
Tensas	15,405	19,989	17,503	12,560	16,338	**12,198**	4.9	−25.3	−25.5
Terrebonne	960,580	907,460	835,800	928,864	1,200,920	**458,957**	−45.8	−61.8	−22.0
Union	54,995	65,348	52,333	45,170	58,385	**49,017**	3.6	−16.0	0.6
Vermillion	253,889	259,870	240,057	252,442	316,741	**244,387**	4.3	−22.8	−3.5
Vernon	179,385	177,417	170,598	162,212	217,009	**150,939**	29.8	−30.4	30.7
Washington	149,584	160,874	133,996	140,039	216,706	**119,354**	30.2	−44.9	−1.6
Webster	237,934	209,762	230,843	205,369	282,811	**182,191**	2.2	−35.6	−1.1
West Baton Rouge	246,124	300,436	227,992	364,681	196,034	**113,694**	−47.8	−42.0	−13.5
West Carroll	43,744	52,999	35,364	46,241	49,363	**34,265**	2.0	−30.6	−3.5
West Feliciana	125,033	364,426	211,104	91,362	197,960	**160,172**	−34.4	−19.1	9.2
Winn	82,695	86,196	78,372	72,878	101,816	**71,926**	23.2	−29.4	15.1
Out Of State	16,271,728	17,207,262	18,813,149	17,096,478	22,579,064	**17,394,745**	15.0	−23.0	−9.2

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School Boards

	Sep 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	Dec 83	Jan 84	Feb 84	Percent Change: Latest Month		Percent Change
							Same Month Prior Year	Prior Month	Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
Acadia Parish	309,343	255,883	253,803	238,838	326,118	251,411	47.1	−22.9	−6.0
Allen Parish	66,410	89,781	80,283	77,967	105,816	69,825	−20.3	−34.0	−3.8
Ascension Parish	827,726	883,931	802,979	689,970	927,139	702,067	13.4	−24.3	2.0
Assumption Parish	247,290	210,347	243,154	225,077	195,260	195,475	−13.8	0.1	3.0
Avoyelles Parish	221,522	214,377	204,304	197,415	246,082	184,515	32.6	−25.0	1.9
Beauregard Parish	172,055	160,057	164,836	144,536	220,502	149,139	32.2	−32.4	17.7
Bienville Parish	286,742	75,421	131,844	69,205	85,122	60,766	18.2	−28.6	25.9
Bogalusa/Washington Parish									
Bossier Parish	861,021	742,371	687,575	650,318	933,133	594,881	31.0	−36.2	9.0
Caddo Parish	2,049,943	1,748,308	1,631,260	1,833,632	2,095,412	1,639,593	19.9	−21.8	0.2
Calcasieu Parish	1,280,037	1,272,840	1,252,735	1,239,239	1,727,807	1,240,845	12.0	−28.2	−2.0
Caldwell Parish	52,744	39,905	39,663	36,331					
Catahoula Parish	56,620	55,096	50,484	45,797	62,298	47,376	48.8	−24.0	−2.9
Claiborne Parish	89,032	96,285	167,370	54,838	101,549	91,563	33.0	−9.8	12.5
Concordia Parish	117,723	128,030	119,467	117,278	139,206	132,596	50.4	−4.7	17.7
Desoto Parish	226,043	209,224	179,504	164,511	245,299	189,474	114.5	−22.8	15.6
East Baton Rouge Parish	2,806,706	2,854,178	2,838,994	3,480,580	2,757,674				
East Carroll Parish	42,840	42,913	43,439	33,268	39,554				
East Feliciana Parish	172,454	166,034	147,848	140,246	197,319	194,539	145.2	−1.4	7.1
Evangeline Parish	137,091	129,384	114,599	113,492	158,016	107,987	52.0	−31.7	−2.0
Franklin Parish	118,928	141,902	120,888	9,707	271,445	83,021	9.0	−69.4	2.4
Grant Parish	37,895	35,759	33,552	32,406	48,802	36,358	23.1	−25.5	7.4
Iberia Parish	469,753	522,297	497,677	491,470	611,049	470,228	4.2	−23.0	−18.9
Iberville Parish	305,099	303,088	376,773	296,833	512,793	299,142	−0.5	−41.7	−2.6
Jackson Parish	246,153	147,240	153,593	156,372	209,713	143,071	48.9	−31.8	20.2
Jefferson Davis Parish	194,921	211,951	163,627	163,132	203,234				
Jefferson Parish	5,174,033	4,899,123							
Lafayette Parish	1,436,786	1,423,906	1,407,025	1,470,889	1,927,707	1,449,734	6.6	−24.8	−12.1
Lafourche Parish	557,657	499,478	472,073	420,230	630,571	418,871	5.5	−33.6	−1.6
Lasalle Parish	99,869	98,514	82,654	73,750	115,152				
Lincoln Parish	147,961	222,620	197,000	180,698	215,241	176,009	−14.5	−18.2	2.5
Livingston Parish	496,616	552,827	645,565	447,372	712,658	479,762	−10.8	−32.7	16.4
Madison Parish	69,000	70,000	64,000	68,000	71,000	54,000	50.0	−23.9	0.4
Monroe	168,617	176,793	156,712	159,495	202,011	147,518	11.2	−27.0	12.2
Morehouse Parish	144,342	250,324	119,968	116,683	138,753	104,059	−8.2	−25.0	16.9
Natchitoches Parish	223,696	188,187	160,734	190,290	223,427	190,598	43.3	−14.7	15.1
Orleans Parish	4,692,289	4,024,116	4,282,136	4,499,251	5,200,828	4,087,82[illegible]	37.6	−21.4	0.0
Ouachita Parish	275,112	288,451	255,688	260,228	329,596	240,687	11.2	−27.0	12.2
Plaquemine Parish	308,040	291,323	318,310	281,536	357,796	568,645	52.2	58.9	−5.5
Pointe Coupee Parish	236,811	104,442	159,435	72,898	108,433	566,617	302.0	422.6	−28.1
Red River Parish	33,519	34,682	46,677	31,137	45,590				
Richland Parish	147,928	140,277	117,560	48,976	227,176	113,289	55.3	−50.1	2.6
Sabine Parish	130,622	108,473	101,781	91,336	125,049	91,586	33.0	−26.8	7.0
St. Bernard Parish	633,517	631,147	637,283	791,049	637,000	521,846	29.3	−18.1	27.6
St. Charles Parish	515,887	761,009	784,582	539,520	978,447	612,091	−44.6	−37.4	−26.5
St. Helena Parish	41,228	36,978	25,030	21,281	35,635	33,568	171.2	−5.8	25.5
St. James Parish	618,610	455,133	743,311	588,889	553,837	590,854	74.4	6.7	45.1
St. John Parish	565,827	465,820	440,408	501,283	528,831	480,479	37.9	−9.1	4.6
St. Landry Parish	388,480	369,316	365,659	389,733	550,003	341,078	5.4	−38.0	−14.4
St. Martin Parish	192,557	209,700	177,304	172,136	221,548	175,886	14.0	−20.6	−2.4
St. Mary Parish	345,594	493,044	413,615	498,417	567,912	417,658	−20.1	−26.5	−16.5
St. Tammany Parish	1,320,159	1,438,432	1,607,800	1,324,450	1,641,849	1,210,749	48.4	−26.3	19.7
Tangipahoa Parish	489,246	394,373	786,778	775,252	1,022,640	684,732	106.2	−33.0	41.8
Tensas Parish	32,804	33,237	33,332	25,291	40,116	29,173	89.7	−27.3	9.6
Terrebonne Parish	604,028	563,091	526,947	583,165	669,821	511,901	−5.5	−23.6	−17.5
Union Parish	78,746	77,117	67,309	67,946	83,600	64,252	57.9	−23.1	9.9
Vermillion Parish	385,316	500,880	275,729	260,869					
Vernon Parish	160,734	155,042	149,314	191,697	146,629	152,488	10.0	4.0	12.0
Washington Parish	189,266	139,433	142,116	130,605	174,941	128,534	−22.5	−26.5	1.9
Webster Parish	204,706	221,442	189,430	189,548	246,366	178,577	14.3	−27.5	2.2
West Baton Rouge Parish	110,876	119,850	270,160	102,361	179,090	578,781	533.1	223.2	34.5
West Carroll Parish	50,996	43,878	45,166	6,745	79,634	0			
West Feliciana Parish	192,033	240,975	396,226	299,697	216,352	209,775	36.5	−3.0	−30.4
Winn Parish	104,661	81,946	77,514	78,147	91,439	75,008	41.9	−18.0	12.0
Total Sales Tax Reported	32,964,260	31,541,981	27,242,582	26,653,308	31,717,020	22,570,408			

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							Percent Change		
							Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
	Sep 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	Dec 83	Jan 84	**Feb 84**	Same Month Prior Year	**Prior Month**	
Police Juries									
Acadia	287,410	253,349	237,586	217,218	313,181	230,649	0.0	−26.4	0.0
Ascension	276,892	298,102	221,741						
Assumption	134,061	106,704	150,200	118,639	96,777	112,339	−28.2	16.1	0.3
Caldwell	52,744	39,905	39,663	36,331	49,844	40,429	64.5	−18.9	21.7
Catahoula	67,655	80,379	69,821	71,443	101,269	63,965	50.1	−36.8	2.7
Concordia	55,369	58,005	63,799	77,913	74,857	69,180	274.2	−7.6	48.3
Lafayette	261,569	282,082	273,164	352,402	350,973	289,012	15.6	−17.7	−26.0
Lincoln	110,971	166,965	147,750	135,524	161,431	132,007	28.2	−18.2	53.8
Madison	26,111	19,931	20,357	24,477	23,982	18,741	48.6	−21.9	3.3
Ouachita	227,008	275,323	223,017	204,171	236,629	219,561	22.6	−7.2	14.2
Pointe Coupee	270,818	118,290	176,366	87,465	123,771	582,805	313.5	370.9	−28.6
Rapides	885,329	768,608	767,745	755,930	982,879	630,953	23.7	−35.8	11.7
Red River	38,093	48,669	30,508	33,477	50,043	43,588	131.0	−12.9	10.5
St. Bernard	633,517	631,147	637,283	791,048	637,000	521,846	29.3	−18.1	26.6
Tensas	21,422	27,210	28,013						
Vermillion	385,316	500,872	275,723	260,863					
Total Police jury Sales Tax Reported	3,734,285	3,675,541	3,362,736	3,166,901	3,202,636	2,955,075	26.7	−7.7	5.0
Cities & Towns									
Abbeville	87,151	85,311	81,848	82,440	108,626	80,909	22.3	−25.5	−2.5
Abita Springs	3,400	3,399	2,356	2,684					
Albany	2,833	2,638	3,589	2,590	3,274	2,362	29.1	−27.9	7.6
Alexandria	490,334	441,562	428,499	448,123	616,430	361,491	20.0	−41.4	12.5
Amite City	74,878	72,689	70,625	66,188	90,737				
Angie									
Arcadia	16,143	21,987	19,650	17,932	22,261	17,783	−25.0	−20.1	3.1
Arnaudville	15,006	15,057	13,783	15,908	11,998	20,198	67.3	68.3	17.4
Baker	137,936	140,217	112,297	110,579	222,674	105,401	−13.0	−52.7	16.0
Basile	8,730	9,190	8,599	8,546	9,660	7,811	15.1	−19.1	−6.6
Bastrop	130,508	215,916	105,807	97,650	117,139	90,118	−6.9	−23.1	27.0
Benton					7,762	5,054			
Bernice	6,386	7,186	5,908	6,084	9,182	6,347	17.7	−30.9	11.2
Bogalusa	277,845	242,933	228,942	249,182	325,314	226,819	20.6	−30.3	17.3
Bonita	997	1,006	922	755					
Bossier City	563,395	561,641	513,731	491,721	700,067				
Breaux Bridge	36,471	40,130	39,015	40,273	45,619	34,750	−27.9	−23.8	2.2
Broussard	43,094	24,935	19,061	25,151	28,114	27,532	18.1	−2.1	−27.2
Bunkie	47,464	43,639	46,964	47,815	59,903	37,308	15.7	−37.7	5.6
Campti									
Cankton	804	641	611	549	693	813	40.4	17.3	0.1
Carencro	30,486	28,667	27,872	29,240	29,162	25,547	−6.2	−12.4	−5.1
Church Point	19,060	18,766	16,569	19,346	24,616	16,494	30.9	−33.0	−1.9
Colfax	12,391	13,458	13,214	12,075	16,530	11,938	31.4	−27.8	106.7
Columbia	9,170	9,329	8,617	8,241	10,285	5,545	−43.2	−46.1	11.4
Cotton Valley	2,359	2,324	2,545	2,218	2,008				
Cottonport	7,318	7,700	6,430	7,917	9,262	6,070	36.7	−34.5	6.6
Coushatta	19,638	19,139	15,531	16,670	25,028	16,391	13.4	−34.5	−2.2
Covington	151,890	165,732							
Crowley	187,536	161,735	158,616	162,715	223,363	144,058	15.1	−35.5	4.1
Cullen	4,753	2,728	3,677	2,824	3,961	3,048	21.4	−23.0	4.9
Delcambre	8,670	8,712	9,635	6,103	8,696	6,479	25.0	−25.5	−11.0
Delhi	8,849	11,508	9,368	9,024	8,448	11,576	3.0	37.0	14.5
Delta	306	284	1,179	258	464				
Denham Springs	106,348	105,498	98,193	98,027	133,295	87,705	24.9	−34.2	11.9
Dequincy	22,270	18,873	18,230	20,578	46,284	36,165	133.7	−21.9	17.2
DeRidder	77,791	75,479	77,565	79,451	101,270	68,074	23.5	−32.8	11.6
Dixie Inn	5,529	4,925	4,282	4,527	5,459	4,132	−1.2	−24.3	4.8
Donaldsonville	69,124	63,594	56,044	57,680	95,752	52,750	75.3	−44.9	54.1
Dubach	2,211	2,159	1,906	1,559	2,370				
Duson	15,317	15,523	10,466	20,124	12,738	10,244	34.7	−19.6	68.0
Elizabeth	2,216	1,230	1,580	1,016	1,464	1,356	16.7	−7.4	0.0
Elton	3,547	4,073	3,400	2,001	4,524				
Erath	15,379	10,048	9,220	9,216	11,647	9,405	12.7	−19.2	−4.9
Estherwood	1,484	582	1,116	1,101	804	706	−29.7	−12.2	−7.5
Eunice	160,927	154,242	153,347	155,883	188,096	131,353	13.1	−30.2	−5.6
East Baton Rouge	5,684,265	5,347,685	5,474,393	5,364,972	6,613,858	5,226,005	16.4	−21.0	7.3
Farmerville	25,946	29,096	23,764	23,141	29,327	26,673	30.7	−9.0	9.7
Ferriday	30,212	32,018	28,644	27,644	38,642	31,083	8.5	−19.6	1.5

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Florien									
Folsom	1,621	3,446	1,695	3,119	5,152	**5,016**	87.0	−2.6	4.0
Franklinton	42,924	38,327	41,559	36,293	60,843	**30,309**	15.1	−50.2	15.6
Gibsland					1,858	**925**			
Gilbert	1,642	1,465	1,424	2,220	1,392				
Glenmora	5,226	4,196	3,531	3,961	4,120	**2,839**	7.1	−31.1	6.2
Golden Meadow	12,195	10,367	13,449	1,228	7,917				
Gonzales	114,228	101,066	100,955	100,543	133,691				
Grambling	6,819	6,772	5,863	4,736					
Gramercy	13,917	15,215	15,106	19,917	20,342	**12,118**	−6.0	−40.4	−4.4
Grand Coteau	3,572	2,464	2,108	2,864	2,734	**2,033**	26.9	−25.6	19.8
Greensburg	3,711	5,306	3,040	2,897	6,177	**3,364**	0.4	−45.5	8.3
Gueydan	8,718	6,942	8,013	7,740	8,200	**6,611**	17.2	−19.4	0.0
Hall Summit	485	757	469	580			53.0	**23.7**	44.4
Hammond	384,874	346,982	336,582	350,903	521,850	**304,102**	11.9	−41.7	56.4
Haughton	3,539	3,789	2,545	2,341					
Haynesville	16,332	16,475	12,472	14,618	16,717	**15,505**	24.5	−7.3	−15.5
Henderson	7,876	4,445	5,779	3,104	5,529	**7,909**	95.5	**43.0**	−12.9
Homer	27,365	22,576	27,733	21,771	38,280				
Iberville	305,102	303,093	376,785	296,893	512,836	**299,100**	−0.6	−41.7	−2.6
Independence	11,718	11,717	15,463	12,468	16,582	**11,206**	33.9	−32.4	10.0
Iota	4,191	3,576	3,509	3,844	4,449	**4,911**	55.4	**10.4**	−11.0
Iowa	8,463	9,879	8,387	8,923	9,266	**8,497**	−16.9	−8.3	4.6
Jeanerette	33,983	30,506	29,547	27,994	36,425	**26,150**	21.2	−28.2	−3.6
Jefferson	5,135,696	4,861,221	4,999,329	5,242,113	6,450,840	**4,734,759**	9.2	−26.6	5.2
Jennings	97,022	71,435	77,921	76,817	98,930	**78,121**	10.6	−21.0	−6.6
Jonesboro	61,439	58,884	54,767	53,093	78,802	**50,606**	20.0	−35.8	7.3
Kaplan									
Kentwood	16,523	14,966	16,477	16,253	22,010	**14,099**	84.6	−35.9	3.6
Kinder	17,361	15,295	16,610	15,986	18,560	**13,452**	3.0	−27.5	0.0
Krotz Springs	5,226	4,320	2,259	7,723	30,983	**5,342**	147.7	−82.8	47.1
Lafayette	1,061,324	1,046,911	1,050,450	1,027,435	1,474,194	**1,071,099**	4.1	−27.3	−7.9
Lafourche	201,193	181,361	177,681	154,798	218,320	**148,930**	4.7	−31.8	−1.4
Lake Arthur	23,979	21,424	17,739	21,842	24,614	**21,238**	10.3	−13.7	44.7
Lake Charles	659,580	603,825	613,805	645,502	793,163	**525,462**	13.1	−33.8	5.4
Lake Providence	18,335	19,691	18,347	20,095	22,047	**16,427**	22.5	−25.5	0.0
Leesville	83,072	82,237	69,553	104,814	0				
Livingston	7,373	5,753	5,058	4,077	6,909	**5,148**	74.4	−25.5	11.7
Lockport	12,358	19,271	11,561	11,693	16,813				
Logansport	9,360	7,943	8,078	10,786					
Loreauville	3,275	3,127	3,609	2,933	4,150	**3,427**	24.4	−17.4	−13.8
Lutcher	10,136	10,686	11,229	10,511	10,112	**10,533**	−7.1	**4.2**	−5.7
Madisonville	3,276	5,950	3,887	2,194	6,302	**4,379**	177.0	−30.5	0.0
Mamou	12,574	13,423	11,206	12,210	22,928	**27,893**	224.9	**21.7**	23.7
Mandeville	68,060	64,950	66,932	66,843	102,360	**63,848**	39.3	−37.6	55.8
Mangham	2,458	3,405	2,966	1,792	3,520	**2,209**	−1.7	−37.2	2.3
Mansfield	37,771	43,844	45,915	42,641	61,291	**41,246**	−29.6	−32.7	−0.9
Many	38,937	37,606	37,651	36,045	51,401	**32,754**	12.1	−36.3	7.5
Marksville	45,306	47,125	47,010	47,495	56,839	**41,635**	4.8	−26.7	1.9
Maurice	3,165	3,924	3,424	2,520	32,750	**33,020**	1253.8	**0.8**	185.0
Melville	4,724	4,035	2,887	5,022	3,947	**3,907**	29.8	−1.0	20.8
Mer Rouge	7,315	5,869	6,798	4,048	3,326	**4,024**	4.0	**21.0**	−3.7
Mermentau	12,963	7,322	664	1,774	1,183	**849**	24.3	−28.2	201.3
Merryville	3,155	3,105	2,838	3,177	3,352	**2,474**	24.8	−26.2	0.0
Minden	111,458	90,780	82,581	79,628	116,299	**76,269**	22.3	−34.4	7.2
Monroe	1,173,869	1,167,843	1,052,081	1,100,310	1,487,852	**975,969**	83.2	−34.4	85.9
Moreauville	2,731	2,699	2,659	2,404					
Morgan City	43,760	46,122	44,823	40,894	50,325	**43,376**	−52.1	−13.8	−27.3
Morse	1,929	1,399	2,073	1,186	1,645	**1,876**	59.4	**14.0**	−15.2
Napoleonville	5,628	6,440	4,880	4,792	9,017	**4,725**	30.8	−47.6	3.9
Natchitoches	214,875	227,928	201,757	224,812	269,679	**202,957**	24.3	−24.7	10.3
New Iberia	372,165	348,088	316,350	322,676	487,894				
New Llano	5,402	4,581	3,363	6,490	6,440	**3,432**	21.2	−46.7	21.4
New Orleans	12,011,844	9,606,892	10,024,115	10,044,652	11,834,064	**9,351,490**	43.7	−21.0	16.4
New Roads	36,824	38,688	31,875	35,716	45,635	**38,071**	142.6	−16.6	41.5
Oak Grove	22,750	20,940	19,469	18,711	27,793	**17,459**	21.2	−37.2	3.3
Oakdale	29,710	28,452	27,759	29,280	40,427	**25,363**	10.5	−37.3	1.8

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Oberlin	5,504	6,220	3,317	6,693	5,496	6,163	81.3	12.1	13.2
Oil City	12,283	9,074	9,382	8,562	11,595	8,058	30.3	−30.5	1.8
Opelousas	265,431	241,929	240,543	249,288	336,939	214,342	15.6	−36.4	1.4
Pearl River	7,394	5,593	6,234	5,480	7,103	6,123	52.3	−13.8	11.7
Pine Prairie	3,985	3,257	4,400	2,920	3,102	3,673	113.8	18.4	33.5
Pineville	79,018	60,783	75,136	65,996	74,162	60,088	21.4	−19.0	10.0
Plain Dealing	7,500	6,978	7,355	6,462	8,303	6,842	28.4	−17.6	18.6
Plaquemine CC	308,040	291,323	318,310	281,536	357,796	568,645	52.2	58.9	−5.5
Plaucheville	826	810	906	702	829	748	15.8	−9.8	−16.3
Pleasant Hill	2,674	1,463	1,271	1,387	1,654	1,383	94.0	−16.4	−10.1
Pollock	1,156	948	1,092	1,274	1,447	989	−0.8	−31.7	19.6
Ponchatoula	65,042	61,076	66,724	68,407	93,107	58,995	30.5	−36.6	38.9
Port Allen	25,220	28,591	30,157	25,880	23,263	30,381	−7.8	30.6	−1.2
Port Barre	9,648	6,561	5,326	6,563	7,153				
Rayne	68,670	75,622	60,226	57,620	98,867	54,659	4.1	−44.7	−5.5
Rayville	40,650	40,588	40,613	40,323	57,470				
Richmond	1,518	2,362	1,359	3,782	1,642				
Ringold	7,449	5,700	3,503						
Roseland	4,382	5,831	5,491	4,554	5,156	5,721	−10.5	11.0	32.8
Rosepine	1,699	1,572	1,384	1,323	1,898	1,661	−7.2	−12.5	9.4
Ruston	61,390	82,012	74,718	66,333	85,001	66,766	−13.1	−21.5	6.6
Sarepta	1,032	1,517	1,654	1,751	1,738	857	−41.0	−50.7	4.6
Scott	24,584	25,994	25,225	22,096	31,023	25,405	8.5	−18.1	4.0
Shreveport	2,604,285	2,225,916	2,121,103	2,282,723	2,757,201	2,592,739	41.9	−6.0	4.2
Sibley	1,344	1,057	733	638	1,096	1,169	150.9	6.7	0.0
Simmesport	6,933	7,904	8,466	8,433	8,491	6,686	−23.9	−21.3	0.0
Slidell	245,069	209,180	212,461	209,767	309,042	218,119	48.0	−29.4	7.5
Sorrento	2,415	2,297	2,329	2,537	2,333	2,437	8.2	4.5	10.7
Springfield	2,843	2,116	2,263	2,313	2,022	2,272	55.7	12.4	16.5
Springhill	50,495	47,779	39,170	39,720	58,666	37,121	19.9	−36.7	6.3
St. Charles Council	251,170	365,624	379,297	266,066	482,024	303,775	−11.3	−37.0	0.3
St. Francisville	17,867	18,128	18,242	22,528	25,044	14,991	−32.9	−40.1	11.7
St. James Council	281,594	201,644	345,087	263,963	246,135	271,204	65.9	10.2	50.8
St. Martinville	28,796	33,738	28,205	32,779	37,665	31,304	8.2	−16.9	−6.7
St. Mary	636,528	908,048	761,643	918,304	1,046,664	769,773	−20.0	−26.5	−16.9
St. Mary (Wards 1,2,3,4,7,10)	26,013	37,188	31,069	28,143	46,683	29,135		−37.6	
St. Mary (Wards 5 & 8)		29,524	31,032	30,695	39,881	26,419			
Sterlington				4,161	4,168				
Sulphur	254,029	223,188	221,534	221,450	284,257	212,408	5.3	−25.3	1.4
Sun	531	561	416	3,955	455	441	10.5	−3.1	60.2
Sunset	8,222	7,794	7,051	7,154	9,192	6,706	16.0	−27.0	−1.2
Tallulah	24,434	26,551	23,984	24,537	31,559	21,535	13.0	−31.8	2.7
Tangipahoa	1,253	1,151	1,310	1,340	1,322	1,288	−0.9	−2.6	−5.9
Terrebonne	1,006,713	938,485	878,246	971,941	1,116,369	853,168	−5.5	−23.6	−17.5
Thibodaux	230,073	226,505	203,264	245,501	272,065	181,197	−6.7	−33.4	−0.0
Tickfaw									
Vidalia	35,507	31,554	30,089	21,813	41,140	29,711	1.3	−27.8	−1.0
Village Of Parks	5,593	4,491	3,715	4,532	3,682	0	−11.0	−18.8	13.9
Ville Platte	45,390	52,830	41,049	41,564	65,174	37,629	37.6	−42.3	4.1
Vinton	24,803	20,790	23,336	18,068	24,061	21,561	39.0	−10.4	9.1
Vivian	29,752	26,064	26,879	26,611	31,642	19,986	3.7	−36.8	7.6
Walker	9,284	5,914	10,209	11,337	29,762				
Washington	4,149	4,086	4,834	3,572	3,965	3,668	46.6	−7.5	0.2
Welsh	16,726	14,837	13,885	14,784	15,309	13,233	14.6	−13.6	−7.7
West Ascension HSD	32,589	31,618	28,273	29,871					
West Baton Rouge	110,876	119,849	229,021						
West Monroe	250,715	252,834	236,470	263,308	315,712	219,959	13.0	−30.3	20.9
Westlake	53,634	48,117	47,705	47,517	60,007	49,990	−6.4	−16.7	−1.0
Winnsboro	48,278	49,275	49,047	47,232	65,970	37,494	13.6	−43.2	4.1
Wisner	6,384	6,057	5,566	5,818	7,456	5,384	21.7	−27.8	9.8
Youngsville	15,247	13,252	11,027	10,777	12,637	9,707	15.8	−23.2	14.9
Zachary	96,115	85,950	81,672	110,177	147,892	75,822	−32.9	−48.7	8.8
Total Sales Tax Reported	38,813,513	35,302,005	35,298,068	35,525,022	44,259,369	32,625,486	17.0	−26.3	8.5

Economic Indicators: LOUISIANA METROPOLITAN AREAS

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EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS									
Total Civilian Labor Force (000)	519.4	526.3	530.5	528.8	530.2	530.3	1.7	0.0	1.4
Total Employed (000)	463.9	473.7	478.4	480.8	482.4	484.1	4.3	0.4	0.8
Total Unemployed (000)	55.5	52.6	52.1	48.0	47.8	46.2	−19.4	−3.3	7.4
Unemployment Rate	11.2	10.0	9.8	9.1	9.0	8.7	−20.9	−3.3	6.0
Average Weekly Manufacturing Earnings	358.68	352.30	359.58	362.94	387.60	395.60	14.47	2.06	−1.07
Average Weekly Manufacturing Hours	39.2	38.8	39.0	38.9	40.0	49.7	6.0	1.7	−0.8
CONSTRUCTION									
Highway Construction Contracts ($ Million)	388.32	386.59	313.85			295.30			
Value Of Construction Contracts ($ Million)									
Residential	45.4	43.8	33.6	23.1	44.4	42.3	93.2	−4.7	55.9
Nonresidential	40.1	54.9	86.2	30.1	58.9	34.0	67.5	−42.3	−12.3
Number Of Construction Contracts	1,393	1,081	780	583	870	939	80.2	7.9	105.7
GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY									
Airline Cargo (Tons)	1,649	1,533	1,652	2,006					
Airline Passenger Boardings (000)	218	263	249	232					
Attendance Of Conventions And Meetings	37,598	74,212	47,889	27,610	42,923	46,415	3.9	8.1	−8.1
Ocean Shipments (000 (Tons))	1364.7	1313.9	1549.7	1536.6	1586.9				
Telephone Lines (000)				776.6	777.1	778.3			
Total Mortgage Loans Closed ($ Million)	167.7	149.2	137.5	147.7	144.9				
VITAL STATISTICS									
Births	1,991	1,978	1,919	1,611					
Deaths	819	848	869	904					
REVENUE COLLECTIONS									
Retail Sales Tax − State	16,149,689	16,638,768	16,811,742	16,546,132	19,938,629	14,170,909	3.8	−28.9	1.1

NEW CARS & TRUCK SALES

	Mar 83	Apr 83	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	Dec 83	Jan 84	Feb 84	Percent Change		
													Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
													Same Month Prior Year	Prior Month	
NEW CAR SALES															
Buick	286	333	334	352	331	435	295	348	327	314	362	360	84.6	−0.6	
Cadillac	134	118	157	131	145	148	131	117	135	164	130	127	95.4	−2.3	
Chevrolet	468	399	517	498	405	547	384	429	476	494	444	433	88.3	−2.5	
Chrylser	50	66	58	67	68	70	65	82	58	45	53	54	74.2	1.9	
Datsun	307	268	322	312	265	329	277	198	186	317	282	265	17.8	−6.0	
Dodge	137	82	143	193	168	168	132	120	132	145	151	127	89.6	−15.9	
Ford	501	421	513	580	589	583	724	608	420	506	454	629	128.7	38.5	
Honda	62	114	84	132	80	133	114	122	105	164	124	121	63.5	−2.4	
Lincoln	69	59	70	80	68	91	86	101	117	61	66	48	−9.4	−27.3	
Mazda	64	66	76	73	72	101	80	62	69	53	62	76	49.0	22.6	
Mercury	150	205	191	196	144	196	141	139	163	156	145	204	52.2	40.7	
Oldsmobile	530	411	520	617	638	613	366	483	504	451	459	492	66.2	7.2	
Plymouth	51	38	88	41	58	52	43	52	52	47	83	46	170.6	−44.6	
Pontiac	178	153	155	179	163	204	152	205	192	185	284	221	123.2	−22.2	
Renault	43	65	52	81	45	75	39	54	42	52	37	29	45.0	−21.6	
Toyota	301	235	254	333	327	338	222	242	261	254	276	275	31.0	−0.4	
Volkswagen	33	28	39	47	37	33	41	32	29	28	50	31	34.8	−38.0	
Volvo	40	47	62	59	37	40	33	36	30	37	31	41	57.7	32.3	
Other	209	171	198	237	167	214	219	181	171	208	262	162	32.8	−38.2	
Total Car Sales	3,613	3,279	3,833	4,208	3,807	4,370	3,544	3,611	3,469	3,681	3,755	3,741	69.0	−0.4	
NEW TRUCK SALES															
Chevrolet	288	327	313	322	300	441	296	337	319	395	331	344	134.0	3.9	
Datsun	47	33	43	52	75	72	58	43	16	62	54	108	440.0	100.0	
Dodge	101	120	135	198	143	142	111	104	110	126	126	154	156.7	22.2	
Ford	518	547	560	649	503	559	499	514	493	482	471	465	74.8	−1.3	
GMC	48	73	53	68	47	52	48	49	41	34	43	47	104.3	9.3	
Mazda	27	31	11	26	18	35	26	14	17	29	29	32	33.3	10.3	
Toyota	64	86	67	141	120	142	131	73	67	114	156	216	414.3	38.5	
Other	61	96	68	69	46	73	63	76	95	100	102	88	144.4	−13.7	
Total Truck Sales	1,154	1,313	1,250	1,525	1,252	1,516	1,232	1,210	1,158	1,342	1,312	1,454	135.3	10.8	

Economic Indicators: LOUISIANA METROPOLITAN AREAS

BATON ROUGE AREA

	Sep 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	Dec 83	Jan 84	**Feb 84**	Percent Change		
							Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
							Same Month Prior Year	**Prior Month**	
EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS									
Total Civilian Labor Force (000)	241.0	243.5	244.9	242.6	239.9	**242.2**	3.6	**1.0**	3.7
Total Employed (000)	217.4	220.9	222.9	222.1	219.7	**222.5**	5.8	**1.3**	3.4
Total Unemployed (000)	23.6	22.6	22.0	20.5	20.2	**19.7**	−15.8	−2.5	6.7
Unemployment Rate	9.8	9.3	9.0	8.4	8.4	**8.1**	−19.0	−3.6	3.3
Average Weekly Manufacturing Earnings	483.00	484.50	470.11	498.74	498.10	**492.46**	6.23	−1.13	3.59
Average Weekly Manufacturing Hours	42.0	42.8	42.2	42.7	42.5	**42.6**	6.5	**0.2**	2.1
CONSTRUCTION									
Highway Construction Contracts ($ Million)	37.16	31.78	33.20			**32..34**			
Value Of Construction Contracts ($ Million)									
Residential	39.2	43.4	38.0	28.7	39.0	**21.6**	25.6	−44.6	106.3
Nonresidential	13.8	26.7	32.4	15.9	17.9	**38.8**	165.8	**116.8**	25.8
Number Of Construction Contracts	647	969	675	474	1,230	**494**	25.4	−59.8	72.2
GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY									
Airline Cargo (Tons)									
Inbound	87.2	87.6	91.5	104.9	88.7	**83.1**	20.4	−6.3	5.7
Outbound	38.8	41.0	42.2	38.0	36.6	**37.1**	55.9	**1.4**	1.9
Airline Passenger Boardings (000)	23.3	24.1	24.5	23.5	23.5	**22.5**	8.2	−4.3	11.1
Classified Advertisement Linage (000)	1221.6	1303.7	1290.0	1167.5	1240.4	**1270.1**	21.8	**2.4**	11.1
Classified Advertisement Count (000)	105.5	109.5	100.1	94.7	99.9	**101.9**	15.4	**2.0**	9.3
Ocean Shipments ((000 Tons))	293	201	146	125	28	**101**	−59.6	**260.7**	1.2
Telephone Lines (000)				237.4	238.5	**239.6**			
Total Mortgage Loans Closed ($ Million)	19.5	19.0	30.8	17.0	14.9				
VITAL STATISTICS									
Births	901	829	756	801					
Deaths	291	296	285	296					
REVENUE COLLECTIONS									
Retail Sales Tax — State	6,800,751	6,915,414	6,768,526	7,306,373	8,807,767	**5,995,880**	2.0	−31.9	5.1

NEW CARS & TRUCK SALES

	Mar 83	Apr 83	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	Dec 83	Jan 84	**Feb 84**	Percent Change		
													Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
													Same Month Prior Year	Prior Month	
NEW CAR SALES															
Buick	111	106	124	155	83	197	110	135	105	122	130	**117**	58.1	−10.0	
Cadillac	46	57	35	71	44	63	73	53	59	58	82	**49**	122.7	−40.2	
Chevrolet	176	241	168	267	212	218	184	205	237	201	254	**214**	103.8	−15.7	
Chrysler	40	49	41	55	43	58	69	41	52	40	37	**41**	86.4	**10.8**	
Datsun	118	118	137	187	132	168	164	129	124	136	144	**133**	16.7	−7.6	
Dodge	25	30	29	43	33	37	36	33	27	28	22	**50**	257.1	**127.3**	
Ford	176	191	167	265	292	237	204	164	202	243	228	**184**	60.0	−19.3	
Honda	37	16	42	49	36	59	38	95	55	52	75	**75**	226.1	**0.0**	
Lincoln	17	23	15	34	15	32	46	32	11	22	12	**21**	0.0	**75.0**	
Mazda	29	20	20	28	31	24	28	33	17	24	11	**17**	−10.5	**54.5**	
Mercury	37	58	46	57	40	65	60	51	49	51	57	**83**	124.3	**45.6**	
Oldsmobile	177	187	175	264	111	282	208	207	166	183	187	**203**	58.6	**8.6**	
Plymouth	31	22	24	28	28	31	32	17	29	14	14	**23**	4.5	**64.3**	
Pontiac	116	99	126	185	115	184	153	162	168	119	141	**148**	131.3	**5.0**	
Renault	3	0	0	0	1	10	13	13	12	8	13	**13**	160.0	**0.0**	
Toyota	218	234	241	256	283	330	287	246	294	265	298	**273**	87.0	−8.4	
Volkswagen	29	26	24	23	7	15	18	11	8	12	21	**13**	0.0	−38.1	
Volvo	39	49	38	54	23	84	49	41	40	47	48	**54**	200.0	**12.5**	
Other	77	97	82	129	138	128	110	114	72	80	92	**103**	145.2	**12.0**	
Total Car Sales	1,502	1,623	1,534	2,150	1,577	2,222	1,882	1,782	1,727	1,705	1,866	**1,814**	80.7	−2.8	
NEW TRUCK SALES															
Chevrolet	132	160	148	242	194	204	184	191	202	159	212	**174**	120.3	−17.9	
Datsun	19	25	22	35	22	62	32	35	25	21	35	**117**	680.0	**234.3**	
Dodge	105	150	115	143	60	119	128	82	88	89	104	**102**	67.2	−1.9	
Ford	189	248	235	285	261	305	266	210	243	270	277	**230**	75.6	−17.0	
GMC	38	47	35	49	34	38	22	39	35	27	30	**35**	−5.4	**16.7**	
Mazda	17	12	6	23	18	31	18	34	24	35	32	**34**	325.0	**6.3**	
Toyota	106	139	147	251	202	293	282	283	173	186	341	**307**	332.4	−10.0	
Other	58	49	51	48	52	56	40	44	44	60	62	**47**	23.7	−24.2	
Total Truck Sales	664	830	759	1,076	843	1,108	972	918	834	847	1,093	**1,046**	137.7	−4.3	

LAKE CHARLES AREA

	Sep 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	Dec 83	Jan 84	Feb 84	Percent Change: Latest Month: Same Month Prior Year	Percent Change: Latest Month: Prior Month	Percent Change: Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS									
Total Civilian Labor Force (000)	77.2	77.4	77.0	77.0	76.7	**76.1**	−1.0	−0.8	−1.1
Total Employed (000)	65.0	65.9	65.4	66.0	65.1	**65.2**	−0.3	**0.2**	−1.6
Total Unemployed (000)	12.2	11.5	11.6	11.0	11.6	**10.9**	−5.2	−6.0	1.8
Unemployment Rate	15.8	14.9	15.1	14.3	15.2	**14.4**	−4.0	−5.3	2.9
CONSTRUCTION									
Highway Construction Contracts ($ Million)	15.44	15.16	13.26			**12.28**			
Value Of Construction Contracts ($ Million)									
Residential	2.8	3.2	3.3	5.1	3.8	**2.4**	−7.7	−36.8	15.1
Nonresidential	1.2	1.2	2.1	11.3	5.0	**4.9**	48.5	−2.0	−89.4
Number Of Construction Contracts	49	62	73	69	44	**47**	−25.4	**6.8**	13.6
GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY									
Airline Cargo (Tons)	7.3	8.3	6.4	8.2	5.8	**8.0**	33.3	**37.9**	7.9
Airline Passenger Boardings (000)	3.2	3.2	3.0	3.0	3.0	**3.0**	−11.8	**0.0**	−8.2
Ocean Shipments (000 (Tons))	1419.0	1535.0	1707.0	1598.0	1585.0	**1487.0**	18.4	−6.2	11.2
Telephone Lines (000)				117.6	117.5	**117.7**			
VITAL STATISTICS									
Births	313	312	262	276					
Deaths	92	116	108	127					
REVENUE COLLECTIONS									
Retail Sales Tax – State	1,950,891	1,982,454	1,868,422	1,946,451	2,235,490	**1,585,443**	4.6	−29.1	5.0

NEW CARS & TRUCK SALES

	Mar 83	Apr 83	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	Dec 83	Jan 84	Feb 84	Percent Change: Latest Month: Same Month Prior Year	Percent Change: Latest Month: Prior Month	Percent Change: Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
NEW CAR SALES															
Buick	55	43	48	49	42	41	54	47	37	52	39	**74**	124.2	**89.7**	
Cadillac	12	19	14	17	11	9	15	5	10	16	14	**13**	62.5	−7.1	
Chevrolet	74	75	94	95	70	75	86	78	78	95	84	**59**	18.0	−29.8	
Datsun	37	48	50	58	46	58	46	50	40	44	58	**46**	64.3	−20.7	
Ford	81	47	61	66	61	54	46	63	41	51	49	**71**	14.5	**44.9**	
Honda	9	11	10	11	13	18	13	17	28	12	27	**17**	142.9	−37.0	
Lincoln	13	11	10	1	12	11	26	18	12	7	3	**7**	−30.0	**133.3**	
Mazda	15	6	8	6	4	9	9	13	4	5	3	**6**	−25.0	**100.0**	
Mercury	32	21	22	26	28	13	24	28	22	23	16	**23**	21.1	**43.8**	
Oldsmobile	89	65	75	84	71	72	89	80	63	65	46	**53**	−5.4	**15.2**	
Pontiac	20	44	52	50	82	61	62	67	68	42	73	**70**	218.2	−4.1	
Renault	6	5	4	4	2	2	4	3	6	1	11	**2**	−60.0	−81.8	
Toyota	33	12	23	23	19	31	20	11	23	15	15	**14**	−12.5	−6.7	
Other	16	19	16	7	11	8	16	7	9	8	14	**12**	0.0	−14.3	
Total Car Sales	492	426	487	497	472	462	510	487	441	436	452	**467**	39.0	**3.3**	
NEW TRUCK SALES															
Chevrolet	91	76	81	89	82	95	86	93	90	78	95	**94**	56.7	−1.1	
Datsun	14	12	10	24	27	23	19	22	12	12	15	**44**	450.0	**193.3**	
Ford	90	81	80	85	81	91	76	91	74	119	89	**83**	16.9	−6.7	
GMC	61	39	67	55	66	61	41	90	71	52	52	**49**	69.0	−5.8	
Mazda	1	4	3	4	2	6	4	4	3	6	2	**5**	25.0	**150.0**	
Toyota	4	3	10	11	10	14	8	8	5	9	7	**11**	83.3	**57.1**	
Other	12	15	10	9	12	11	18	15	9	16	23	**13**	30.0	−43.5	
Total Truck Sales	273	230	261	277	280	301	252	323	264	292	283	**299**	59.0	**5.7**	

Economic Indicators: LOUISIANA METROPOLITAN AREAS

ALEXANDRIA AREA

	Sep 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	Dec 83	Jan 84	Feb 84	Percent Change		
							Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
							Same Month Prior Year	Prior Month	
EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS									
Total Civilian Labor Force (000)	78.3	78.3	77.9	76.3	76.6	**77.0**	**2.8**	**0.5**	**3.1**
Total Employed (000)	69.8	70.4	70.2	68.6	68.4	**69.0**	**6.0**	**0.9**	**3.7**
Total Unemployed (000)	8.5	7.9	7.7	7.7	8.2	**8.0**	**−18.4**	**−2.4**	**−1.6**
Unemployment Rate	10.9	10.1	9.9	10.2	10.8	**10.4**	**−20.0**	**−3.7**	**−4.2**
CONSTRUCTION									
Highway Construction Contracts ($ Million)	60.48	71.77	72.66			**69.17**			
Value Of Construction Contracts ($ Million)									
Residential	4.3	9.5	3.0	7.5	2.1	**3.7**	**−2.6**	**76.2**	**54.1**
Nonresidential	1.8	2.7	2.6	1.0	2.0	**4.3**	**30.3**	**115.0**	**5.8**
Number Of Construction Contracts	66	158	64	161	40	**59**	**3.5**	**47.5**	**65.7**
GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY									
Airline Cargo (Tons)	30	54	48	11	9	**10**	**−70.6**	**11.1**	**−28.3**
Airline Passenger Boardings (000)	4.4	4.4	3.0	3.6	3.6	**3.3**	**−5.7**	**−8.3**	**4.4**
Telephone Lines (000)				98.1	98.0	**98.5**			
VITAL STATISTICS									
Births	282	243	237	197					
Deaths	90	110	113	107					
REVENUE COLLECTIONS									
Retail Sales Tax — State	1,199,224	1,276,153	1,206,788	213,081	1,395,785	**1,001,870**	**13.7**	**−28.2**	**6.2**

NEW CARS & TRUCK SALES

	Mar 83	Apr 83	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	Dec 83	Jan 84	Feb 84	Percent Change		
													Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
													Same Month Prior Year	Prior Month	
NEW CAR SALES															
Buick	28	35	33	40	22	43	38	32	38	25	29	**24**	**33.3**	**−17.2**	
Cadillac	14	21	11	16	13	10	10	7	8	14	8	**7**	**−30.0**	**−12.5**	
Chevrolet	49	36	54	71	38	41	35	49	43	44	72	**52**	**136.4**	**−27.8**	
Chrysler	4	6	7	4	12	10	6	5	4	3	3	**9**	**800.0**	**200.0**	
Datsun	27	29	36	26	17	26	33	23	25	20	22	**22**	**100.0**	**0.0**	
Dodge	8	7	8	9	7	7	5	5	7	5	11	**7**	**40.0**	**−36.4**	
Ford	28	50	48	70	41	56	39	59	51	50	56	**65**	**195.5**	**16.1**	
Honda	10	7	13	14	12	23	14	16	27	15	26	**28**	**366.7**	**7.7**	
Lincoln	14	2	14	12	8	10	13	7	10	7	8	**3**	**50.0**	**−62.5**	
Mazda	10	20	24	16	15	12	18	17	13	9	12	**11**	**22.2**	**−8.3**	
Mercury	3	9	6	11	3	7	13	12	25	11	14	**14**	**180.0**	**0.0**	
Oldsmobile	72	75	72	92	96	129	74	64	98	57	81	**75**	**200.0**	**−7.4**	
Plymouth	7	4	2	1	2	14	9	5	4	12	3	**8**	**166.7**	**166.7**	
Pontiac	27	17	43	44	30	35	39	43	34	28	33	**36**	**71.4**	**9.1**	
Renault	1	1	0	2	2	5	0	2	0	2	1	**8**	**71.4**	**700.0**	
Toyota	14	15	24	22	15	26	11	18	9	12	13	**19**	**26.7**	**46.2**	
Volkswagen	1	3	2	0	0	0	3	1	5	3	2	**2**	**26.7**	**0.0**	
Other	16	18	33	31	12	27	11	32	12	9	9	**21**	**110.0**	**133.3**	
Total Car Sales	333	355	430	481	345	481	371	397	413	326	403	**411**	**122.2**	**2.0**	
NEW TRUCK SALES															
Chevrolet	55	56	57	65	57	47	46	66	66	72	48	**52**	**67.7**	**8.3**	
Datsun	6	14	6	7	13	11	8	12	4	7	10	**18**	**500.0**	**80.0**	
Dodge	24	20	15	18	18	27	16	17	17	16	34	**34**	**325.0**	**0.0**	
Ford	74	81	90	95	59	82	75	109	77	114	85	**94**	**56.7**	**10.6**	
GMC	18	12	13	13	14	15	14	16	19	18	15	**8**	**−11.1**	**−46.7**	
Mazda	8	12	6	7	8	20	7	16	15	9	8	**12**	**300.0**	**50.0**	
Toyota	8	9	17	16	10	14	7	8	6	5	17	**11**	**22.2**	**−35.3**	
Other	19	18	15	21	9	13	14	22	17	21	14	**14**	**250.0**	**0.0**	
Total Truck Sales	212	222	219	242	188	229	187	266	221	262	231	**243**	**91.3**	**5.2**	

Economic Indicators: LOUISIANA METROPOLITAN AREAS

LAFAYETTE AREA

	Sep 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	Dec 83	Jan 84	**Feb 84**	**Percent Change**		
							Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
							Same Month Prior Year	**Prior Month**	
EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS									
Total Civilian Labor Force (000)	101.5	103.2	103.3	94.8	95.3	**96.0**	0.9	**0.7**	0.8
Total Employed (000)	92.9	95.0	95.5	88.0	88.5	**89.6**	2.1	**1.2**	−1.6
Total Unemployed (000)	8.6	8.2	7.8	6.8	6.8	**6.4**	−12.3	**−5.9**	39.5
Unemployment Rate	8.5	8.0	7.6	7.1	7.1	**6.7**	−13.0	**−5.6**	38.8
CONSTRUCTION									
Highway Construction Contracts ($ Million)	13.80	14.50	14.11			**14.11**			
Value Of Construction Contracts ($ Million)									
Residential	9.5	7.6	9.2	18.4	13.9	**8.4**	−23.6	**−39.6**	−1.7
Nonresidential	1.6	3.2	2.5	1.8	3.1	**13.8**	70.4	**345.2**	−51.7
Number Of Construction Contracts	191	168	233	538	261	**173**	−13.1	**−33.7**	33.0
GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY									
Airline Cargo (Tons)	23	25	21	13	14	**17**	−19.0	**21.4**	−19.4
Airline Passenger Boardings (000)	8.0	8.0	7.0	7.0	8.0	**8.0**	−3.6	**0.0**	−12.9
Telephone Lines (000)				157.2	157.4	**157.8**			
Total Mortgage Loans Closed ($ Million)	9.5	11.0	22.1	9.3	7.8				
VITAL STATISTICS									
Births	270	320	276	213					
Deaths	57	63	74	89					
REVENUE COLLECTIONS									
Retail Sales Tax − State	3,076,374	3,183,319	3,152,235	3,145,881	4,337,235	**3,033,640**	−3.1	**−30.1**	−14.6

NEW CARS & TRUCK SALES

	Mar 83	Apr 83	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	Dec 83	Jan 84	**Feb 84**	**Percent Change**		
													Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
													Same Month Prior Year	Prior Month	
NEW CAR SALES															
Buick	47	43	42	55	34	50	58	39	56	38	37	**58**	**152.2**	**56.8**	
Cadillac	43	24	26	28	33	29	36	26	37	22	28	**37**	**94.7**	**32.1**	
Chevrolet	75	58	79	74	56	92	71	67	80	77	84	**85**	**93.2**	**1.2**	
Chrysler	31	25	16	31	26	19	23	24	16	22	27	**27**	**107.7**	**0.0**	
Datsun	50	68	53	59	49	77	66	63	41	56	66	**62**	**55.0**	**−6.1**	
Dodge	9	13	14	11	15	23	16	13	20	11	15	**18**	**−25.0**	**20.0**	
Ford	81	60	108	75	76	72	40	85	80	29	143	**73**	**55.3**	**−49.0**	
Honda	19	17	9	18	23	20	22	19	19	24	21	**36**	**111.8**	**71.4**	
Lincoln	7	20	10	10	15	20	26	14	13	18	7	**13**	**−7.1**	**85.7**	
Mazda	50	24	14	36	22	35	22	31	31	16	16	**25**	**31.6**	**56.3**	
Mercury	12	30	31	31	29	22	26	22	19	25	28	**30**		**7.1**	
Oldsmobile	59	50	59	67	37	66	56	71	71	56	52	**51**	**24.4**	**−1.9**	
Plymouth	12	5	8	6	5	8	7	6	30	12	13	**25**	**400.0**	**92.3**	
Pontiac	26	37	37	35	47	35	43	43	39	42	59	**42**	**68.0**	**−28.8**	
Toyota	48	22	27	29	28	25	23	32	24	16	26	**26**	**30.0**	**0.0**	
Volkswagen	9	14	8	14	10	10	11	4	14	13	13	**20**	**300.0**	**53.8**	
Volvo	10	9	13	14	15	15	12	10	11	14	12	**9**	**50.0**	**−25.0**	
Other	54	45	37	45	46	41	45	28	40	48	33	**51**	**18.6**	**54.5**	
Total Car Sales	642	564	591	638	566	659	603	597	641	539	680	**688**	**58.2**	**1.2**	
NEW TRUCK SALES															
Chevrolet	95	80	105	91	86	91	91	126	101	93	92	**90**	**87.5**	**−2.2**	
Datsun	13	18	17	23	23	23	22	19	7	19	16	**42**	**500.0**	**162.5**	
Dodge	45	26	33	37	18	24	23	34	33	29	46	**50**	**233.3**	**8.7**	
Ford	69	57	83	78	52	76	84	90	92	46	135	**112**	**107.4**	**−17.0**	
Mazda	20	6	8	18	12	17	15	18	16	17	13	**29**	**222.2**	**123.1**	
Toyota	10	13	9	13	9	8	22	13	7	6	11	**15**	**25.0**	**36.4**	
Other	12	17	3	10	3	6	4	1	11	4	10	**13**	**116.7**	**30.0**	
Total Truck Sales	264	217	258	270	203	245	261	301	267	214	323	**351**	**132.5**	**8.7**	

Economic Indicators: LOUISIANA METROPOLITAN AREA

SHREVEPORT AREA

	Sep 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	Dec 83	Jan 84	**Feb 84**	**Percent Change**		
							Latest Month		**Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months**
							Same Month Prior Year	**Prior Month**	
EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS									
Total Civilian Labor Force (000)	170.0	169.5	168.8	169.2	167.8	**168.3**	**0.7**	**0.3**	**2.0**
Total Employed (000)	151.0	151.3	151.1	152.8	151.7	**153.4**	**5.4**	**1.1**	**0.7**
Total Unemployed (000)	19.0	18.2	17.7	16.4	16.1	**14.9**	**−31.3**	**−7.5**	**8.5**
Unemployment Rate	11.2	10.7	10.5	9.7	9.6	**8.9**	**−31.5**	**−7.3**	**6.5**
Average Weekly Manufacturing Earnings	382.97	367.77	382.00	407.54	406.19	**415.75**	**10.73**	**2.35**	**13.10**
Average Weekly Manufacturing Hours	39.4	39.0	40.0	41.0	42.4	**41.7**	**3.7**	**−1.7**	**0.9**
CONSTRUCTION									
Highway Construction Contracts ($ Million)	100.73	97.89	95.30			**94.71·**			
Value Of Construction Contracts ($ Million)									
Residential	9.8	14.2	24.2	28.9	10.5	**30.9**	**191.5**	**194.3**	**76.4**
Nonresidential	3.3	7.3	13.7	3.9	24.0	**6.1**	**−33.0**	**−74.6**	**4.9**
Number Of Construction Contracts	190	336	617	766	331	**887**	**398.3**	**168.0**	**112.4**
GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY									
Airline Cargo (Tons)	933	893	870	964	935	**828**	**37.3**	**−11.4**	**15.0**
Airline Passenger Boardings (000)	28.0	28.0	26.0	27.0	25.0	**22.0**	**−20.9**	**−12.0**	**−4.3**
Telephone Lines (000)				188.6	188.7	**189.2**			
Total Mortgage Loans Closed ($ Million)	5.5	13.2	7.9	11.3	3.5				
VITAL STATISTICS									
Births	634	614	610	541					
Deaths	252	290	293	305					
REVENUE COLLECTIONS									
Retail Sales Tax – State	4,620,488	4,633,007	4,404,006	4,307,184	5,336,106	**3,904,949**	**4.9**	**−26.8**	**−0.2**

NEW CARS & TRUCK SALES

	Mar 83	Apr 83	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	Dec 83	Jan 84	**Feb 84**	**Percent Change**		
													Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
													Same Month Prior Year	Prior Month	
NEW CAR SALES															
Buick	82	74	79	91	93	119	76	105	82	64	105	**74**	**39.6**	**−29.5**	
Cadillac	42	63	40	65	50	39	58	47	34	53	47	**49**	**36.1**	**4.3**	
Chevrolet	193	152	174	165	125	177	137	162	161	144	191	**162**	**42.1**	**−15.2**	
Chrysler	32	39	53	45	40	54	37	29	25	24	30	**31**	**14.8**	**3.3**	
Datsun	62	54	38	51	41	56	42	24	41	33	54	**40**	**−7.0**	**−25.9**	
Dodge	36	38	46	36	32	28	39	20	27	24	25	**25**	**19.0**	**0.0**	
Ford	212	167	124	122	101	147	131	404	220	149	226	**203**	**89.7**	**−10.2**	
Honda	20	28	28	30	16	41	26	16	27	23	37	**40**	**100.0**	**8.1**	
Lincoln	28	30	35	33	34	47	27	34	35	14	49	**76**	**130.3**	**55.1**	
Mazda	34	16	31	29	28	27	28	25	19	21	15	**18**	**63.6**	**20.0**	
Mercury	76	62	67	63	59	73	46	103	110	56	91	**90**	**69.8**	**−1.1**	
Oldsmobile	176	172	171	201	137	193	200	175	155	175	194	**237**	**104.3**	**22.2**	
Plymouth	16	20	18	15	18	16	9	15	12	14	14	**15**	**87.5**	**7.1**	
Pontiac	60	82	67	104	85	93	86	121	123	77	109	**83**	**112.8**	**−23.9**	
Renault	12	9	5	10	15	23	21	15	9	24	12	**29**	**480.0**	**141.7**	
Toyota	61	46	62	62	72	64	44	60	42	51	48	**37**	**−19.6**	**−22.9**	
Volkswagen	5	8	6	7	6	12	6	5	6	15	8	**6**	**500.0**	**−25.0**	
Volvo	7	6	10	6	12	12	8	5	5	4	5	**12**	**1100.0**	**140.0**	
Other	69	60	69	58	64	61	49	47	38	43	62	**43**	**59.3**	**−30.6**	
Total Car Sales	1,223	1,126	1,123	1,193	1,028	1,282	1,070	1,412	1,171	1,008	1,322	**1,270**	**66.9**	**−3.9**	
NEW TRUCK SALES															
Chevrolet	161	154	140	244	148	170	141	163	154	149	160	**123**	**43.0**	**−23.1**	
Datsun	18	13	13	12	6	17	13	11	10	13	7	**35**	**775.0**	**400.0**	
Dodge	48	52	47	54	44	52	44	44	46	55	49	**60**	**172.7**	**22.4**	
Ford	134	184	145	160	152	145	113	143	189	149	161	**183**	**84.8**	**13.7**	
GMC	31	24	18	28	24	24	18	22	25	22	30	**29**	**222.2**	**−3.3**	
Mazda	12	16	16	15	19	13	8	5	9	18	14	**24**	**242.9**	**71.4**	
Toyota	24	10	25	10	15	17	24	11	16	16	19	**21**	**75.0**	**10.5**	
Other	34	53	26	40	41	48	52	42	38	43	57	**53**	**341.7**	**−7.0**	
Total Truck Sales	462	506	430	563	449	486	413	441	487	465	497	**528**	**110.4**	**6.2**	

Economic Indicators: LOUISIANA METROPOLITAN AREAS

MONROE AREA

	Sep 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	Dec 83	Jan 84	**Feb 84**	Percent Change: Latest Month		Percent Change
							Same Month Prior Year	**Prior Month**	Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
EMPLGYMENT STATISTICS									
Total Civilian Labor Force (000)	58.4	58.3	58.4	58.7	58.5	**58.8**	−1.7	**0.5**	0.8
Total Employed (000)	51.8	51.9	52.3	52.8	52.5	**53.0**	1.3	**1.0**	1.9
Total Unemployed (000)	6.6	6.4	6.1	5.9	6.0	**5.8**	−22.7	−3.3	−7.1
Unemployment Rate	11.3	11.0	10.6	10.0	10.3	**9.9**	−21.[illegible]	−3.9	−7.3
CONSTRUCTION									
Highway Construction Contracts ($ Million)	13.30	12.62	13.21			**21.80**			
Value Of Construction Contracts ($ Million)									
Residential	3.3	6.4	2.8	1.7	3.0	**3.2**	60.0	**6.7**	80.5
Nonresidential	3.2	0.9	3.2	1.8	1.4	**1.0**	233.3	−28.6	−14.5
Number Of Construction Contracts	75	117	71	28	68	**67**	76.3	−1.5	78.9
GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY									
Airline Cargo (Tons)	19	25	24	13	19	**21**	61.5	**10.5**	−1.3
Airline Passenger Boardings (000)	7.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	**7.0**	6.1	−12.5	15.2
Telephone Lines (000)				128.1	128.3	**128.5**			
Total Mortgage Loans Closed ($ Million)	8.6	8.2	11.7	26.1	4.4				
VITAL STATISTICS									
Births	302	216	223	143					
Deaths	126	116	105	121					
REVENUE COLLECTIONS									
Retail Sales Tax – State	2,255,276	2,097,156	1,398,812	2,071,527	2,606,162	**1,709,894**	13.9	−34.4	6.1

NEW CARS & TRUCK SALES

	Mar 83	Apr 83	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	Dec 83	Jan 84	**Feb 84**	Percent Change: Latest Month		Percent Change
													Same Month Prior Year	Prior Month	Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
NEW CAR SALES															
Buick	49	62	66	76	60	79	45	62	49	56	50	**51**	41.7	**2.0**	
Cadillac	20	20	25	21	21	20	13	19	11	25	30	**12**	33.3	−60.0	
Chevrolet	49	64	48	70	58	60	47	47	45	43	71	**55**	139.1	−22.5	
Chrysler	18	12	12	14	8	12	8	6	7	14	7	**4**	−20.0	−42.9	
Datsun	34	32	16	54	26	30	21	39	14	20	31	**15**	−16.7	−51.6	
Dodge	8	6	3	7	8	3	4	5	7	10	8	**14**	250.0	**75.0**	
Ford	62	46	30	55	37	40	37	53	69	46	46	**62**	148.0	**34.8**	
Honda	17	30	21	26	17	19	18	25	24	21	24	**27**	170.0	**12.5**	
Lincoln	7	6	13	13	16	19	19	20	12	11	8	**9**	−35.7	**12.5**	
Mazda	26	15	18	30	17	27	35	23	16	22	16	**23**	130.0	**43.8**	
Mercury	26	26	20	31	26	34	26	24	30	16	25	**37**	362.5	**48.0**	
Oldsmobile	83	87	73	105	62	78	93	87	77	97	72	**76**	76.7	**5.6**	
Plymouth	3	2	2	4	2	2	0	3	4	1	3	**2**		−33.3	
Pontiac	15	27	22	15	18	20	20	31	27	21	35	**20**	185.7	−42.9	
Renault	4	3	4	11	8	5	3	4	1	5	0	**2**	−77.8	−42.9	
Toyota	23	27	18	24	23	25	21	19	30	15	18	**11**	−21.4	−38.9	
Volkswagen	2	5	0	3	1	4	1	0	0	2	5	**3**	−21.4	−40.0	
Volvo	6	4	10	4	7	8	5	9	10	8	6	**5**	66.7	−16.7	
Other	15	5	9	17	9	9	7	9	6	13	28	**24**	166.7	−14.3	
Total Car Sales	467	479	410	580	424	494	423	485	439	446	483	**452**	81.5	−6.4	
NEW TRUCK SALES															
Chevrolet	71	82	66	75	72	71	52	75	57	59	71	**64**	166.7	−9.9	
Datsun	6	7	8	11	10	17	18	13	3	10	7	**18**	350.0	**157.1**	
Dodge	14	11	9	8	7	6	3	16	5	16	17	**12**	140.0	−29.4	
Ford	58	70	63	83	38	49	63	61	97	64	64	**58**	31.8	−9.4	
GMC	20	40	30	33	46	34	25	27	33	54	29	**37**	146.7	**27.6**	
Mazda	20	31	16	22	11	31	23	14	22	13	31	**41**	272.7	**32.3**	
Toyota	15	7	10	14	11	14	14	13	12	10	20	**8**	−20.0	−60.0	
Other	19	24	12	35	15	29	19	16	43	41	29	**21**	162.5	−27.6	
Total Truck Sales	223	272	214	281	210	251	217	235	272	267	268	**259**	114.0	−3.4	

HOUMA/THIBODAUX AREA

							Percent Change		
							Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
	Sep 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	Dec 83	Jan 84	**Feb 84**	Same Month Prior Year	**Prior Month**	
GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY									
Highway Construction Contracts ($ Million)	15.69	20.61	19.93			**33.31**			
CONSTRUCTION									
Number Of Construction Contracts					45	**67**			
Value Of Construction Contracts ($ Million)									
Residential					2.5	**4.1**			
Nonresidential					1.6	**2.4**			
VITAL STATISTICS									
Births	323	334	333	258					
Deaths	94	112	76	111					
REVENUE COLLECTIONS									
Retail Sales Tax – State	1,407,548	1,487,782	1,275,106	1,361,881	1,706,779	**816,372**	**−33.6**	**−52.2**	**−15.8**

NEW CARS & TRUCK SALES

													Percent Change		
													Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
	Mar 83	Apr 83	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	Dec 83	Jan 84	**Feb 84**	Same Month Prior Year	Prior Month	
NEW CAR SALES															
Buick	43	65	68	56	52	53	43	48	40	47	37	**41**	46.4	**10.8**	
Cadillac	15	13	11	19	13	7	11	11	15	18	11	**15**	0.0	**36.4**	
Chevrolet	43	54	72	70	58	58	50	83	38	42	67	**59**	84.4	−11.9	
Chrysler	16	13	11	19	16	10	18	7	10	17	12	**14**	16.7	**16.7**	
Datsun	35	44	27	36	36	30	36	17	23	21	23	**24**	−17.2	**4.3**	
Dodge	134	21	53	33	80	13	11	30	15	11	11	**16**	100.0	**45.5**	
Ford	46	37	55	59	42	31	47	46	48	49	43	**60**	150.0	**39.5**	
Honda	5	13	15	19	17	10	13	13	14	19	27	**21**	61.5	−22.2	
Lincoln	10	6	11	11	8	11	11	6	9	7	8	**6**	−14.3	−25.0	
Mazda	7	7	4	3	6	7	6	4	3	6	3	**0**	−72.7	−50.0	
Mercury	26	21	19	30	24	18	18	29	24	16	22	**26**	52.9	**18.2**	
Oldsmobile	66	65	54	79	44	86	54	63	57	79	68	**77**	45.3	**13.2**	
Plymouth	9	10	11	10	7	12	9	9	5	10	9	**6**	50.0	−33.3	
Pontiac	44	26	34	60	25	29	32	25	37	41	30	**30**	100.0	**0.0**	
Renault	3	2	0	1	1	0	3	3	3	2	3	**3**	50.0	**0.0**	
Toyota	28	16	18	26	22	26	16	22	22	28	26	**33**	175.0	**26.9**	
Other	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	8	6	14	6	**10**	175.0	**66.7**	
Total Car Sales	530	414	464	532	451	401	378	424	369	427	406	**441**	61.5	**8.6**	
NEW TRUCK SALES															
Chevrolet	55	64	54	44	76	60	48	59	50	57	68	**61**	144.0	−10.3	
Datsun	10	11	16	17	18	16	22	15	10	11	10	**19**	26.7	**90.0**	
Dodge	54	46	72	58	43	46	47	36	35	44	41	**69**	176.0	**68.3**	
Ford	39	74	82	71	59	57	73	63	65	55	65	**68**	83.8	**4.6**	
GMC	33	34	32	35	34	27	21	21	25	35	35	**22**	−18.5	−37.1	
Mazda	3	1	1	3	2	2	0	6	4	2	3	**4**	100.0	**33.3**	
Toyota	10	5	5	6	5	9	6	3	7	11	12	**18**	260.0	**50.0**	
Other	1	1	1	8	10	9	12	13	4	10	16	**15**	275.0	−6.3	
Total Truck Sales	205	236	263	242	247	226	229	216	200	225	250	**276**	97.1	**10.4**	

Economic Indicators: UNITED STATES

							Percent Change		
							Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
	Aug 83	Sep 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	Dec 83	Jan 84	Same Month Prior Year	Prior Month	
PRODUCER PRICE INDEXES (1967 = 100)									
Finished Goods	286.2	285.1	287.9	286.8	287.1	289.4	2.0	0.8	1.6
Finished Consumer Goods	285.6	285.1	287.1	285.8	286.1	288.8	2.0	0.9	1.3
Intermediate Materials	314.4	315.7	316.0	315.7	315.8	316.6	2.2	0.3	0.9
Crude Materials	326.9	328.3	324.5	324.1	327.8	333.7	6.4	1.8	1.9
CONSUMER PRICE INDEXES (1967 = 100)									
All Items	300.3	301.8	302.6	303.1	303.5	305.2	4.1	0.6	3.2
Food and Beverages	284.9	285.3	285.7	285.3	286.5	291.6	3.9	1.8	2.3
Housing	324.8	326.4	326.8	327.0	327.4	329.2	3.6	0.5	2.7
Apparel and Upkeep	197.3	200.4	200.7	200.7	199.3	196.4	2.8	−1.5	2.5
Transportation	302.4	303.7	305.0	306.3	306.3	306.0	4.4	−0.1	2.7
Medical Care	360.0	361.2	362.9	364.9	366.2	369.5	6.2	0.9	8.3
Entertainment	246.6	247.5	249.1	249.5	249.5	249.9	3.5	0.2	4.2
INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION INDEXES (1967 = 100)									
Total Index	151.8	153.8	155.0	155.3	156.1	158.0	15.0	1.2	7.9
Energy	139.4	139.1	137.7	138.5	139.7	139.7	5.5	0.0	0.9
Durable Consumer Goods	154.2	157.5	156.7	155.9	158.4	163.7	24.4	3.3	15.5
Nondurable Consumer Goods	157.1	157.2	157.1	156.1	156.9	158.0	6.5	0.7	4.0
Business Equipment	156.6	158.7	161.3	164.1	166.6	168.1	14.7	0.9	−0.5
Defense and Space Equipment	120.2	121.8	122.9	124.0	125.7	127.5	9.5	1.4	9.6
Construction Supplies	149.0	151.4	152.3	151.6	151.4	154.8	21.9	2.2	16.2
Business Supplies	175.3	179.3	180.6	179.4	179.1	179.4	11.9	0.2	6.3
Durable Goods Materials	144.2	147.4	149.4	150.3	151.1	153.9	26.7	1.9	13.7
Nondurable Goods Materials	178.0	182.3	185.3	184.8	181.7	182.8	14.5	0.6	11.9
Energy Materials	128.0	126.4	126.3	127.1	129.5	129.8	5.5	0.2	0.6
Home Goods and Clothing	133.3	135.5	135.5	135.9	137.4	140.6	16.4	2.3	9.7
GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY (1967 = 100)									
Index of 12 Leading Indicators	159.0	160.5	162.8	162.8	163.1	164.8	13.5	1.0	14.6
Index of 4 Roughly Coincident Indicators	140.6	143.0	144.3	145.3	146.7	148.7	10.7	1.4	3.6
Index Of 6 Lagging Indicators	110.8	110.2	110.0	110.8	111.4	110.4	−4.6	−0.9	−8.6
Index of Coincident to Lagging Ratio	126.9	129.8	131.2	131.1	131.7	134.7	16.0	2.3	13.5
Housing Starts, Privately Owned (000)	176.8	154.9	159.3	136.0	108.3	108.7	19.1	0.4	55.5
Housing Starts, Publically Owned (000)	0.9	1.9	0.6	0.4	0.2	0.1	−93.8	−50.0	−28.8
FINANCE									
Percent Yield On 3 – Month Federal Securities	9.39	9.05	8.71	8.71	8.96	8.93	14.34	−0.33	−15.80
Percent Yield on State and Local Bonds	9.04	8.97	8.93	9.01	9.34	9.00	0.00	−3.64	−16.85
Average Percent Yield on Corporate Bonds	13.01	12.91	12.79	12.93	13.07	12.92	0.16	−1.15	−12.88
M1 : Currency + Demand Deposits ($ Billion)	517.4	518.9	521.6	523.0	525.3	530.0	9.3	0.9	11.2
M2 : M1 + Other Checkable Deposits ($ Billion)	2135.3	2147.9	2167.2	2182.1	2196.1	2206.2	9.4	0.5	12.5
Bank Debits ($ Billion)	111538.1	110700.7	118407.2	114466.6	115381.5	120954.6	17.1	4.8	19.2
Credit Union Deposits ($ Billion)	61.0	60.9	60.9	60.6	61.2	60.7	16.1	−0.8	21.8
Savings & Loan Deposits ($ Billion)	599.7	600.9	611.9	586.0	621.7	630.1	13.2	1.4	12.2
Commercial Bank Deposits ($ Billion)	1278.2	1293.8	1296.2	1298.9	1321.6	1351.1	8.5	2.2	10.5
EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS (MILLIONS)									
Civilian Noninstitutional Population	174.4	174.6	174.8	175.0	175.1	175.5	1.2	0.2	1.1
Civilian Labor Force	112.3	112.4	111.8	112.0	112.1	112.2	1.5	0.1	1.1
Percent of Population	64.4	64.4	64.0	64.0	64.0	63.9	0.2	−0.2	−0.1
Employed	101.5	101.9	102.0	102.6	102.9	103.2	4.1	0.3	1.7
Employment – Population Ratio	58.2	58.4	58.3	58.7	58.8	58.8	2.8	0.0	0.5
Unemployed	10.7	10.4	9.9	9.4	9.2	9.0	−21.1	−2.2	−3.8
Unemployment Rate	9.5	9.3	8.8	8.4	8.2	8.0	−23.1	−2.4	−4.7
LIFE INSURANCE STATISTICS									
Annualized Premium ($ Million)	364.9	365.7	382.6	397.4	541.4	369.1	22.3	−31.8	22.2
Face Amount ($ Billion)	38.4	37.6	38.7	39.8	49.6	35.6	14.8	−28.2	23.4
Premium Per $1,000	9.51	9.72	9.89	9.99	10.92	10.37	6.36	−5.04	−1.22
Average Policy Size (000)	47.1	45.9	46.1	47.7	53.7	51.8	17.7	−3.5	16.7
Premium Per Policy	448	446	456	477	587	538	25.4	−8.3	15.7
Number Of Ordinary Life Insurance Policies (000)	814.9	819.4	839.7	833.9	922.7	686.6	−2.4	−25.6	5.7
ENERGY SUMMARY (Quadrillion btu.)									
Energy Production	5.29	5.09	5.27	5.22					
Energy Consumption	5.97	5.56	5.66	5.97					
Energy Imports	1.17	1.15	1.04	1.00					
Energy Exports	0.35	0.33	0.33	0.28					

Louisiana Tourist Traffic Data

Visitors To Selected Tourist Attractions

							Percent Change		
							Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
	Sep 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	Dec 83	Jan 84	**Feb 84**	**Same Month Prior Year**	**Prior Month**	
Audubon State Commemorative Area	5,889	9,891	5,859	10,717	15,024	**5,432**	**−7.5**	**−63.8**	**3.5**
Camp Moore State Commemorative Area	804	342	424	287	213	**440**	**47.2**	**106.6**	**32.8**
Chemin−A−Haut State Park	3,351	2,419	2,063	1,602	1,376	**1,994**	**−4.1**	**44.9**	**−1.9**
Chicot State Park	27,281	65,042	21,660	17,070	18,845	**25,000**	**2.8**	**32.7**	**−32.0**
Cypremort Point State Park	7,824	2,836	3,066	1,058	1,215	**1,918**	**23.6**	**57.9**	**−33.0**
Edward Douglass White Memorial	39	32	23	22	30	**130**	**333.3**	**333.3**	**−37.5**
Fairview−Riverside State Park	15,792	9,179	11,262	6,553	9,493	**15,182**	**266.4**	**59.9**	**−27.6**
Fontainbleau State Park	19,722	19,556	16,478	12,840	15,248	**19,772**	**79.3**	**29.7**	**23.4**
Fort Jesup State Commemorative Area	3,088	6,790	5,012	5,906	3,074	**3,430**	**−13.9**	**11.6**	**−21.3**
Fort Pike State Commemorative Area	25,432	36,760	21,602	11,976	11,584	**16,472**	**266.0**	**42.2**	**153.8**
Fort St. Jean Baptiste	556	1,439	1,346	1,278	606	**965**	**−9.2**	**59.2**	**0.0**
Grand Isle State Park	17,925	10,262	5,938	3,898	0	**0**	**−9.9**	**−34.4**	**−28.5**
Hodges Gardens	1,986	2,494	1,056	502	191	**400**	**−40.5**	**109.4**	**−6.9**
Indian Creek Recreational Area	7,049	4,243	2,432	376	1,245	**3,170**	**22.5**	**154.6**	**5.9**
Kent House State Commemorative Area	0	0	0	0	0	**0**	**0.0**	**0.0**	**0.0**
Lake Bistineau State Park	9,352	7,052	4,007	2,163	3,115	**4,834**	**−27.8**	**55.2**	**1.0**
Lake Bruin State Park	2,250	1,988	2,578	2,126	2,348	**2,584**	**−12.0**	**10.1**	**−5.5**
Lake Claiborne State Park	18,088	10,468	6,776	3,090	3,030	**4,196**	**97.6**	**38.5**	**295.8**
Lake D'Arbonne State Park	3,081	2,008	1,509	939	1,244	**1,932**	**26.7**	**55.3**	**15.2**
Longfellow−Evangeline State Park	12,690	15,038	18,278	12,944	14,478	**12,600**	**−15.3**	**−13.0**	**−34.4**
Los Adeas	321	27	22	76	49	**32**	**60.0**	**−34.7**	**0.6**
Louisiana State Arboretum	180	334	225	112	65	**176**	**0.0**	**170.8**	**0.0**
Louisiana State Exhibit Museum, Shreveport	26,800	101,000	26,800	12,900	10,300	**23,000**	**5.5**	**123.3**	**0.3**
Louisiana State Fairgrounds	91,200	730,430	14,410	66,675	28,664	**145,545**	**28.8**	**407.8**	**7.7**
Louisiana State Museum, New Orleans	5,454	5,979	5,969	3,883	3,895	**5,788**	**−45.5**	**48.6**	**−31.6**
Mansfield State Commemorative Area	1,901	2,097	3,085	505	1,950	**2,650**	**18.9**	**35.9**	**−7.5**
Marksville State Commemorative Area	1,050	1,080	1,020	3,434	7,582	**12,023**	**1201.2**	**58.6**	**195.7**
Old Arsenal Museum	3,104	4,802	3,589	1,658	2,191	**3,342**	**−13.8**	**52.5**	**−7.9**
Old State Capitol	3,192	5,243	3,886	3,082	2,989	**3,082**	**−16.0**	**3.1**	**−8.3**
Plaquemine Locks	145	74	260	84	331	**267**	**376.8**	**−19.3**	**0.0**
Port Hudson	4,760	4,000	4,432	3,420	3,394	**5,304**	**333.3**	**56.3**	**0.0**
Poverty Point State Commemorative Area	3,356	3,979	2,359	1,321	960	**900**	**9.2**	**−6.3**	**−30.1**
Rebel State Commemorative Area	2,894	5,226	992	1,066	1,093	**1,101**	**18.8**	**0.7**	**38.3**
St. Bernard State Park	6,140	5,360	3,894	2,950	3,782	**5,628**	**−36.4**	**48.8**	**−20.6**
Sam Houston Jones State Park	28,522	25,671	19,302	8,829	11,360	**11,821**	**−44.9**	**4.1**	**−13.4**
Winter Quarters State Commemorative Area	90	56	51	32	37	**66**	**0.0**	**78.4**	**0.0**

Visitors To Tourist Information Stations

Greenwood	11,350	12,798	10,019	6,971	6,905	**7,980**	**26.8**	**15.6**	**−2.6**
Kentwood (I−55)	6,731	7,941	6,442	5,036	3,949	**4,896**	**−29.5**	**24.0**	**−16.6**
Louisiana State Capitol	14,931	18,000	17,152	7,842	7,449	**9,553**	**−3.7**	**28.2**	**−8.7**
Mound Center (I−20 W)	8,181	8,020	9,430	7,374	5,964	**6,262**	**6.6**	**5.0**	**6.8**
New Orleans	9,592	12,722	8,947	3,895	4,268	**6,616**	**−36.8**	**55.0**	**1.0**
Pearl River (I−59)	83,669	82,404	72,587	54,934	45,186	**39,087**	**1.1**	**−13.5**	**105.7**
St. Francisville	2,494	3,626	3,062	1,063	940	**1,509**	**−35.7**	**60.5**	**−3.8**
Slidell (I−10 W)	45,447	54,048	53,055	67,545	44,611	**53,916**	**−10.8**	**20.9**	**−12.6**
Toledo Bend	1,717	1,817	1,582	751	768	**1,402**	**15.0**	**82.6**	**−2.2**
Vidalia	1,401	1,758	1,261	786	925	**1,114**	**3.1**	**20.4**	**3.3**
Vinton (I−10 E)	15,785	18,118	19,494	20,752	16,226	**23,564**	**84.9**	**45.2**	**16.6**

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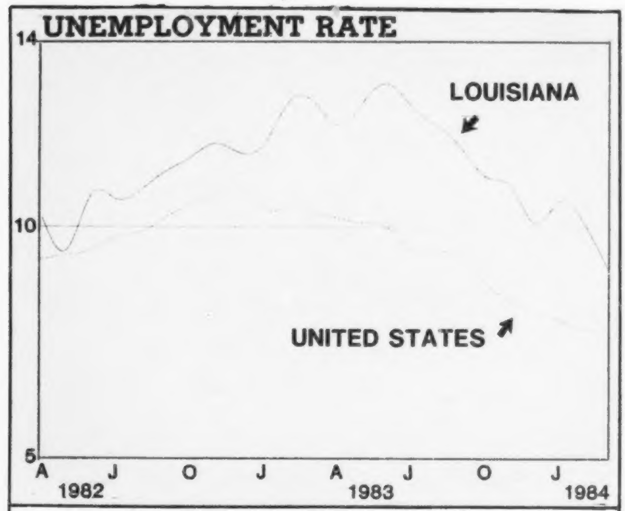

The Division's Economic Report

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The U.S. economy grew strongly in April compared with the previous month as indicated by retail sales, industrial production and housing starts. Retail sales grew 2.9 percent in April following a 2.1 percent drop in March. The Federal Reserve Board's Index of industrial production rose 1.4 percent and housing starts advanced 19 percent in April. In comparison, industrial production had grown only 0.43 percent in March and housing starts had dropped 26.6 percent. The outlook for the remainder of the year will depend—in large part—on the monetary policy of the Federal Reserve. Since the Federal Reserve is expected to expand money supply only moderately, the real GNP is predicted to grow 3 to 4 percent (annual rates) in the second quarter, following a 8.8 percent annualized gain in the first quarter of 1984. A continued strength in consumer demand is beginning to generate moderate inflationary pressures. The Consumer Price Index (CPI) increased 0.5 percent in April, following a 0.2 percent increase in March and 0.4 percent increase in February. Housing costs accounted for most of the price increase in April. The Producer Price Index (PPI), however, was unchanged since March, indicating that production costs were still under control.

The U.S. overall unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted) dropped to 7.5 percent in May, from the 7.7 percent plateau on which it had stalled in February, March and April. The unemployment rate for adult men decreased to 6.5 percent from 6.9 percent in April, the rate for women decreased to 6.8 percent from 7.0 percent and the rate for teenagers dropped from 19.4 percent to 19.0 percent. The median duration of unemployment, however, increased from 8.1 weeks in April to 8.7 weeks in May.

The U.S. Leading Economic Indicator dropped one percent in March, and then increased only 1/2 percent in April, suggesting that the growth in the national economy is expected to moderate in the coming months. Orders for durable goods declined 6.4 percent in April, also indicating that national economic activities

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Monthly Summary

Louisiana	**April 1984**	
Employment Statistics		
Unemployment Rate (March)		
1. Connecticut	4.7	
2. New Hampshire	4.8	
3. Virginia	4.8	
4. Nebraska	5.1	
5. Colorado	5.2	
36. Louisiana	**9.1**	
46. Oregon	10.7	
47. Alabama	12.2	
48. Alaska	12.2	
49. Michigan	12.5	
50. West Virginia	16.0	
Civilian Labor Force (000)	1,915.8	1.5
Number of Unemployed (000)	169.9	−1.9
Unemployments Benefits Paid		
Number of Weeks	232,800	−15.8
Dollar Amount Paid	34,277,336	−13.0
Average Weekly Manufacturing		
Hours	42.3	1.4
Earnings	425.54	5.4
Number of New Claims	30,935	−5.3
Number of Exhaustions	6,646	
Construction		
Number of Construction Contracts	4,045	
Value of Construction Contracts ($ Million)		
Residential	181.3	
Non−Residential	100.8	
Non−Building	35.8	
Revenue Collections		
Severance Tax	64,939,534	−4.9
General Sales Tax	69,221,118	0.4
Motor Vehicle Tax	9,544,927	5.5
Gasoline Tax	14,021,526	2.1
Individual Income Tax	51,470,546	53.1
Corporation Income Tax	37,093,794	−13.4
Corporation Franchise Tax	4,453,510	6.5
Tobacco Tax & Permits Tax	4,621,041	0.7
Liquor & Wine Tax	1,637,604	−1.0
Beer Tax	2,646,153	−2.3
Soft Drink Tax & Permit Fees	842,993	5.1
Royalties	46,074,295	
Total Revenues	262,311,722	1.8
General Business Activity		
Coal Exports (Tons)	122,000	
New Corporation	920	
Dissolutions	30	
Telephones in Service	1,717,592	
Total Mortgage Loans Closed for Mar 84	266.1	
Total New Cars Sold	12,642	
Total New Trucks Sold	6,134	
International	**February 1984**	
Exports, F.A.S. Value	17,212.5	−5.0
Imports, Custom Value	26,147.1	10.0
Merchandise Trade Balance	−8,934.6	108.3
United States	**March 1984**	
Employment Statistics (000)		
Civilian Non−Institutional Population	175,824	1.1
Civilian Labor Force	112,912	1.3
Percent of the Population	64.2	
Employed	104,140	2.5
Employed/Population Percent	59.2	
Unemployed	8,772	−10.1
Unemployment Rate	7.8	
Index Numbers (1967=100)		
Consumer Price Index − All Items	307.3	
Industrial Price Index − Total Index	160.9	
Producer Price Index − Finished Goods	291.7	
12 Leading Indicators	166.9	

NOTE − The percentage in the righthand column is the 12−month comparison

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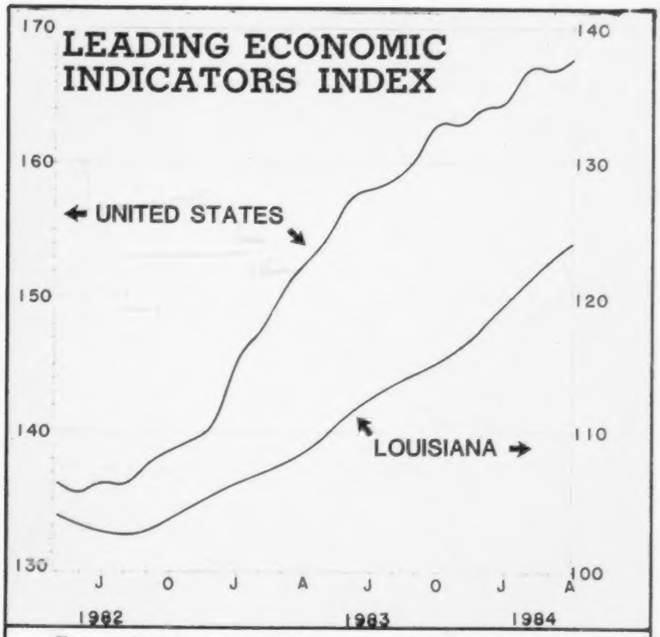

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are slowing down from the rapid pace of the past two quarters. However, continual real growth in the economy is expected over the next few quarters. Consumer expenditures are expected to grow moderately, but business investments are expected to lead the growth over the next phase of the economic recovery. The outlook of higher interest rates should not immediately curtail business spending since much of the investment could be funded from the profits that businesses have enjoyed over the past year.

The Louisiana economy continued to improve during April. Total employment increased 1.4 percent or 23,400 workers during the month and the state civilian unemployment rate (not seasonally adjusted) dropped to 8.9 percent from 9.2 percent in March. All metropolitan areas experienced gains in employment and drops in unemployment. The growth in employment ranged from 2.2 percent in Monroe to 0.22 percent in Lafayette. Baton Rouge, New Orleans and Shreveport experienced employment gains of 0.94 percent, 0.76 percent and 1.03 percent, respectively. The metropolitan unemployment rates ranged from 5.8 percent in Lafayette to 13.1 percent in Lake Charles. Unemployment in Baton Rouge dropped to 7.1 percent in April from 7.2 percent in March. Unemployment in New Orleans and Shreveport was 7.8 percent and 7.6 percent, respectively, compared with the 8.0 percent unemployment rates in both cities in March. The unemployment rates in some of the rural areas were much higher than the state average. The highest unemployment rate was in West Carroll Parish where unemployment was 22.9 percent, but it was below the 23.3 percent unemployment rate in March. Total non-agricultural wage and salary employment in Louisiana increased by 3000 workers in April. Employment in durables manufacturing increased 1.4 percent over March continuing the trend of the past few months. Employment in retail trade has been generally growing over the past year. Employment in transportation increased in April, but it was still 3.5 percent below the employment level of a year ago, and employment in mining decreased 4.2 percent since April of 1983. A steady increase in drilling permits during the past 12 months has not yet produced any increase in mining employment, although the long term outlook appears moderately encouraging.

The Louisiana Economic Indicators increased 0.9 percent in March implying a growing economy for the rest of the year. The increase in the composite index was due to increases in the indices predicting mining activities and manufacturing activities. The component of the index predicting construction activities has been depressed over the past several months and the immediate outlook for construction in the state is not one of optimism. Although construction activities have revived in the major metropolitan areas, rising interest rates could retard the progress being made in these localities. The growth in durables manufacturing should continue, unless persistent high interest rates dampen the activities in this sector. The overall improvement in the economy will stimulate the trade sector and the influx of tourists should aid the service sector.

As we predicted nearly a year ago, the Louisiana economy has improved during the first part of 1984. We continue to expect the state's economy to improve at a moderate rate of recovery for the rest of the year. However, unemployment rates could increase in June and July due to high school and college graduates entering the labor market. Our very preliminary "guesstimate" is that at the end of the year, the Louisiana civilian labor force will number approximately 1,940,000 (an increase of 1.3% above April), employment will total 1,788,000 (increase of 2.4%) and the unemployment rate will be approximately 7.8 percent.

Economic Indicators: LOUISIANA

							Percent Change		
							Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
	Nov 83	Dec 83	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	**Apr 84**	Same Month Prior Year	**Prior Month**	
EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS									
Civilian Labor Force (000)	1924.9	1891.4	1887.8	1896.0	1897.5	**1915.8**	0.4	**1.0**	1.5
Total Unemployed (000)	208.9	195.3	200.0	192.1	175.0	**169.9**	−28.1	−2.9	−1.9
Unemployment Rate	10.9	10.1	10.6	10.1	9.2	**8.9**	−28.2	−3.3	−3.0
Unemployment Benefits Paid (000 Weeks)	259.9	254.8	285.0	277.7	259.3	**232.8**	−38.1	−10.2	−15.8
Unemployment Benefits Paid ($ Million)	39.7	38.7	42.8	41.0	38.1	**34.3**	−41.0	−10.0	−13.0
New Claims (000)	43.0	37.8	56.0	35.1	34.7		−29.0	−1.1	−5.3
Exhaustions (000)	8.6	8.0	8.5	7.9	7.0				
Total Number Employed (000)									
Nonagricultural	1597.1	1580.7	1556.1	1562.5	1566.6	**1569.6**	0.9	**0.2**	−0.7
Wholesale And Retail Trade	370.9	380.1	369.7	368.0	369.6	**372.1**	2.7	**0.7**	1.0
Government	315.3	320.0	314.4	320.3	319.9	**319.2**	0.0	−0.2	1.2
Services	307.3	307.9	307.2	309.2	310.8	**311.0**	1.9	**0.1**	1.6
Manufacturing	193.0	178.4	174.9	175.5	177.1	**178.9**	1.0	**1.0**	−4.6
Transportation & Public Utilities	123.9	115.6	113.7	114.2	113.4	**114.2**	−3.4	**0.7**	−5.0
Construction	115.0	115.8	113.1	111.8	113.7	**113.4**	−4.1	−0.3	−4.0
Finance, Insurance, And Real Estate	80.1	83.4	83.4	83.5	83.5	**83.6**	1.6	**0.1**	2.1
Mining	91.6	79.5	79.7	80.0	78.6	**77.2**	−4.3	−1.8	−6.3
Average Weekly Manufacturing Hours	39.6	40.7	41.5	41.7	41.9	**42.3**	6.5	**1.0**	1.4
Average Weekly Manufacturing Earnings	383.72	402.12	422.47	421.17	423.61	**425.54**	9.94	**0.46**	5.39
REVENUE COLLECTIONS ($ Millions)									
Severance Tax	58.8	66.7	70.0	106.1	68.4	**65.0**	31.0	−5.0	−4.9
General Sales Tax	63.4	61.7	76.9	55.7	58.7	**69.2**	9.5	**17.9**	0.4
Motor Vehicle Tax	8.2	9.1	9.2	8.9	9.4	**9.5**	17.3	**1.1**	5.5
Gasoline Tax	14.0	14.1	14.0	12.6	12.1	**14.0**	−2.8	**15.7**	2.1
Individual Income Tax	32.3	22.6	35.1	19.4	11.1	**51.5**	372.5	**364.0**	53.1
Corporation Income Tax	10.5	42.3	12.9	0.5	12.0	**37.1**	12.4	**209.2**	−13.4
Corporation Franchise Tax	15.6	1.5	2.5	2.8	3.2	**4.5**	9.8	**40.6**	6.5
Tobacco Tax And Permits	5.0	5.0	5.5	4.5	5.1	**4.6**	−4.2	−9.8	0.7
Royalties, Rentals, and Bonuses									
Alcoholic Beverages									
Liquor & Wine Tax	1.5	2.5	2.7	1.3	1.6	**1.7**	−5.6	**6.3**	−1.0
Beer Tax, State	2.8	2.5	2.7	2.2	2.6	**2.7**	−6.9	**3.8**	−2.3
Special Fuels	2.4	2.1	2.7	2.2	2.2	**2.8**	0.0	**27.3**	10.5
Soft Drink Tax & Permit Fees	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.6	0.8	**0.8**	0.0	**0.0**	5.1
Parish & Municipality Beer Tax	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.4	**0.4**	0.0		−1.9
Total Revenues	220.9	227.1	237.1	215.7	182.6	**262.3**	24.4	**43.6**	1.8
CONSTRUCTION									
Highway Construction Contracts ($ Million)	575.52	26.56	26.56	573.02	592.51	**547.11**		−7.66	
Value Of Construction Contracts ($ Million)									
Residential	162.9	145.8	144.7	138.6	201.5				
Nonresidential	158.7	76.8	127.0	118.3	127.1				
Nonbuilding	58.1	62.4	70.5	33.9	63.8				
Number Of Construction Contracts	3,661	3,231	3,424	3,071	4,042				
WELFARE ACTIVITY									
Aid To Dependent Children									
Amount Paid	11,531,643	11,599,824	11,699,279	11,815,756	11,952,270	**12,051,204**		**0.8**	
Children	145,673	146,377	147,592	148,887	150,546	**151,909**		**0.9**	
Food Stamp Information									
Coupon Value	26,172,157	26,059,701	26,335,168	26,921,413	27,702,133	**27,562,375**		−0.5	
Recipients	599,613	586,088	589,809	604,067	617,074	**616,916**		−0.0	
Medicaid Information									
Claims									
Payments									
GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY									
Beer Sales Information									
Cases Sold	3,836,252	3,406,707	2,919,300	3,774,506					
Taxes	421,988	374,738	321,124	411,894					
Coal Exports (000 Tons)	422.1	211.9	506.5	295.3	367.5	**122.0**		−67.0	
Corporation Filings									
Domestic Charters	439	981	880	1,129	470	**920**			
Amendments To Domestic Charters	27	139	73	127	44	**81**		**84.1**	
Notices of Dissolution	25	70	63	65	27	**37**		**37.0**	
Dissolutions	26	51	25	37	29	**30**		**3.4**	
Mergers or Consolidations	40	142	29	143	29	**30**		**3.4**	
Foreign Qualifications	65	168	126	161	42	**134**		**219.0**	
Amendments For Charters	9	21	16	25	8	**17**		**112.5**	
Withdrawals	28	35	9	20	11	**10**		−9.1	
Motor Fuel Consumption (Million Gallons)									
Gasoline	177.3	186.2	178.5	162.3	189.8				
Highway Diesel	25.6	32.8	26.8	27.0	33.8				
Highway LPG	0.7	0.6	0.7	0.6	0.6				
Total Fuel Consumption	203.6	219.6	206.0	189.9	224.2				
Telephone Lines (000)		1703.5	1705.5	1709.4	1714.1	**1717.6**		**0.2**	
Total Mortgage Loans Closed ($ Million)	251.5	261.0	228.6	223.5	266.1				
Vital Statistics									
Births	6,799	5,731							
Deaths	2,857	3,035							

NEW CARS & TRUCKS SALES—STATE

	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	Dec 83	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	**Apr 84**	Percent Change		
													Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
													Same Month Prior Year	Prior Month	
New Car Sales															
Buick	1,178	1,271	1,080	1,429	1,082	1,145	1,104	1,040	1,098	1,104	1,029	**1,221**	7.8	**18.7**	
Cadillac	409	473	411	432	435	402	416	478	489	431	335	**448**	9.8	**33.7**	
Chevrolet	1,864	2,079	1,581	1,850	1,541	1,664	1,666	1,674	1,941	1,713	2,031	**1,907**	15.0	−6.1	
Chrysler	265	326	275	315	286	271	238	245	259	282	314	**283**	−2.7	−9.9	
Datsun	788	901	713	887	792	637	595	738	779	693	559	**581**	−31.4	**3.9**	
Dodge	359	406	413	361	273	378	274	338	332	385	316	**310**	14.0	−1.9	
Ford	1,581	1,827	1,545	1,657	1,615	2,047	1,581	1,610	1,794	1,890	1,868	**1,801**	23.9	−3.6	
Honda	264	351	268	376	312	375	338	391	418	427	367	**534**	105.4	**45.5**	
Lincoln	226	244	234	297	310	307	294	202	201	221	315	**304**	50.5	−3.5	
Mazda	233	262	223	276	263	244	196	190	157	198	181	**180**	−15.1	−0.6	
Mercury	634	668	551	733	565	613	647	574	589	732	705	**646**	0.6	−8.4	
Oldsmobile	1,736	2,209	1,809	2,185	1,745	1,861	1,812	1,788	1,811	1,984	2,094	**1,867**	4.7	−10.8	
Plymouth	205	170	149	171	137	210	217	286	268	215	245	**206**	20.5	−15.9	
Pontiac	747	974	784	932	851	1,011	941	795	1,091	944	1,103	**1,001**	44.2	−9.2	
Renault	74	120	87	161	106	108	80	102	92	115	167	**81**	−19.8	−51.5	
Toyota	751	883	878	975	703	747	803	741	835	803	544	**523**	−24.0	−3.9	
Volkswagen	88	107	68	86	87	57	69	79	112	138	138	**112**	30.2	−18.8	
Volvo	144	148	102	169	120	116	107	118	106	123	176	**149**	21.1	−15.3	
Other	424	585	513	466	540	476	402	476	556	490	426	**489**	0.8	**14.8**	
Total Car Sales	11,970	14,004	11,684	13,758	11,763	12,669	11,780	11,865	12,928	12,888	12,913	**12,643**	9.8	−2.1	
New Truck Sales															
Chevrolet	1,648	2,061	1,701	1,926	1,652	1,802	1,795	1,903	1,831	1,703	1,882	**1,906**	14.9	**1.3**	
Datsun	181	237	243	306	251	222	118	191	208	457	348	**247**	42.0	−29.0	
Dodge	528	644	434	529	475	455	459	517	585	641	739	**803**	50.9	**8.7**	
Ford	1,986	2,339	1,828	2,095	1,927	2,054	2,116	2,066	2,155	2,087	2,269	**2,313**	11.7	**1.9**	
GMC	514	580	462	539	383	514	493	500	509	494	484	**507**	−4.2	**4.8**	
Mazda	83	132	101	176	126	131	123	143	160	209	161	**119**	−7.8	−26.1	
Toyota	325	502	421	547	540	437	330	393	652	672	485	**498**	64.4	**2.7**	
Other	267	308	246	318	307	302	315	358	394	359	467	**457**	38.5	−2.1	
Total Truck Sales	5,532	6,803	5,436	6,436	5,661	5,917	5,749	6,071	6,494	6,622	6,835	**6,850**	19.6	**0.2**	

Louisiana State Sales Tax Collections by Commodity

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(Collections For Indicated Month Based On Sales For Preceding Month)

	1982	1983	Mar 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	Dec 83	Jan 84	Feb 84	**Mar 84**	Percent Change		
										Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
										Same Month Prior Year	**Prior Month**	
Beverage Bottlers	4,931,515	4,983,043	402,194	538,419	408,405	364,178	338,124	331,269	**384,843**	−4.3	**16.2**	1.6
Sugar Refineries	135,667	90,561	6,032	8,932	10,559	4,859	15,630	8,924	**6,053**	0.3	−32.2	−20.5
Petroleum/Natural Gas	1,744,043	1,789,537	112,272	142,431	107,265	104,268	177,767	120,110	**127,624**	13.7	**6.3**	−3.4
Petroleum Refineries	8,720,419	3,508,428	310,362	260,646	244,398	254,718	264,841	322,947	**1,051,086**	238.7	**225.5**	−49.0
Sawmills/Sash & Door	317,022	120,332	4,485	7,859	9,026	8,025	11,113	10,459	**7,178**	60.0	−31.4	−70.9
Sand & Gravel	3,265,240	3,185,730	177,187	358,084	300,530	301,084	243,231	216,502	**250,870**	41.6	**15.9**	5.1
Rice Mills	10,569	30,885	1,472	1,001	1,387	1,495	2,321	1,306	**1,002**	−31.9	−23.3	181.3
Cotton Seed Oil	21,800	27,030	2,858	1,406	1,944	2,008	2,790	2,190	**1,748**	−38.8	−20.2	−1.8
Ice Manufacture	259,080	235,530	8,944	25,670	23,254	13,191	9,777	6,337	**7,883**	−11.9	**24.4**	−11.9
Other Manufacturers	75,852,081	58,117,420	4,591,501	4,912,599	5,269,063	4,683,711	4,853,805	4,591,089	**5,123,336**	11.6	**11.6**	−17.7
Bus Lines/ Etc.	3,241	2,504	313	596	175	207	452	71	**0**	−100.0	−100.0	0.0
Trucking/Freight/Etc	19,339	24,983	169	984	7,995	2,375	2,486	985	**987**	484.0	**0.2**	72.7
Fire Protection	264,164	241,756	14,977	26,441	20,904	21,156	19,825	30,160	**25,172**	68.1	−16.5	−0.8
Pipelines	29,868	27,981	3,027	1,032	626	1,364	666	2,160	**3,566**	17.8	**65.1**	−45.6
Light/Power/Gas	1,115,180	973,003	106,978	65,589	68,772	85,489	97,437	67,071	**119,065**	11.3	**77.5**	−15.9
Telephone/Telegraph	116,930	103,973	8,595	6,869	7,185	7,053	6,349	3,428	**10,804**	25.7	**215.2**	−25.7
Other Utilities	1,273,164	2,963,612	31,601	383,979	257,874	57,558	31,091	89,704	**35,595**	12.6	−60.3	59.1
Book Stores/Etc.	4,239,180	3,682,533	251,687	388,871	280,072	278,815	400,129	415,064	**308,554**	22.6	−25.7	−9.8
Itinerant Vendors	132,011	108,053	7,375	9,527	8,327	8,176	9,384	7,654	**7,525**	2.0	−1.7	−14.1
Piano/Musical Instru	3,692,987	3,334,571	241,178	315,161	236,574	238,212	499,866	235,066	**247,467**	2.6	**5.3**	−6.2
Iron/Sheet Metal/Etc	735,413	548,730	47,248	52,558	51,821	38,492	49,868	42,784	**44,725**	−5.3	**4.5**	−17.7
Photo Studios	2,865,013	2,908,090	196,347	255,222	230,369	245,783	307,640	206,022	**210,220**	7.1	**2.0**	2.1
Cigar Stores/News	5,428,202	5,904,223	442,738	537,202	492,774	471,802	546,413	434,693	**477,784**	7.9	**9.9**	8.9
Florists/Nurseries	2,601,671	2,651,028	207,203	208,626	204,098	180,715	304,515	165,621	**225,966**	9.1	**36.4**	3.9
Funeral Parlors	1,133,788	1,222,751	95,565	99,080	101,249	97,465	113,283	119,507	**106,109**	11.0	−11.2	8.5
Fishing Bait	1,476,401	1,679,656	92,395	141,343	194,620	216,606	90,285	135,149	**96,052**	4.0	−28.9	15.9
Miscellaneous	77,934,308	112,009,119	5,002,953	5,934,785	6,294,754	4,858,012	6,416,410	5,702,327	**5,344,434**	6.8	−6.3	−37.8
Common Carriers	4,584,844	3,219,598	145,119	290,691	236,225	271,636	284,849	281,021	**227,548**	56.8	−19.0	−17.0
Total Sales Tax	796,100,874	735,292,543	50,950,537	62,719,175	63,438,392	61,683,336	76,887,384	55,684,231	**58,740,662**	15.3	**5.5**	−1.6

Louisiana State Sales Tax Collections

(Collections For Indicated Month Based On Sales For Preceding Month)

											Percent Change		
											Latest Month		
	Pop	1982	1983	Mar 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	Dec 83	Jan 84	Feb 84	**Mar 84**	Same Month Prior Year	**Prior Month**	Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
Acadia	59,369	6,451,146	4,398,694	290,274	396,174	332,498	354,473	426,461	304,864	**346,771**	19.5	**13.7**	−28.8
Allen	21,739	734,275	741,159	42,764	66,629	63,078	62,141	86,945	51,128	**57,737**	35.0	**12.9**	9.8
Ascension	54,618	4,839,080	4,582,879	324,634	428,112	391,680	395,097	505,399	338,401	**396,056**	22.0	**17.0**	6.9
Assumption	23,955	804,759	707,164	45,221	61,781	52,547	54,612	62,926	49,727	**47,286**	4.6	**−4.9**	−3.5
Avoyelles	42,715	1,548,059	1,410,422	85,286	121,317	126,502	104,666	145,921	88,862	**104,055**	22.0	**17.1**	−6.3
Beauregard	31,207	2,231,031	2,131,651	148,498	168,836	186,441	181,228	234,588	145,094	**150,702**	1.5	**3.9**	3.1
Bienville	16,188	369,800	413,991	22,099	39,329	31,241	30,074	46,172	34,119	**31,757**	43.7	**−6.9**	23.2
Bossier	88,370	6,281,685	6,840,386	438,349	647,197	599,599	534,745	755,941	493,071	**517,318**	18.0	**4.9**	12.3
Caddo	261,817	44,513,539	43,592,733	3,332,886	3,776,048	3,573,564	3,567,070	4,297,354	3,229,687	**3,262,456**	−2.1	**1.0**	−1.6
Calcasieu	176,760	22,449,491	22,692,702	1,606,214	1,982,454	1,868,422	1,946,451	2,235,490	1,585,443	**1,576,471**	4.4	**5.7**	6.1
Caldwell	10,947	426,209	370,848	24,541	35,691	26,949	34,893	41,518	40,446	**26,536**	8.1	**−34.4**	3.9
Cameron	10,139	510,560	527,129	27,623	52,981	42,494	36,731	41,306	32,214	**36,835**	33.3	**14.3**	13.1
Catahoula	12,326	642,369	609,866	29,812	68,635	58,718	56,002	63,828	39,362	**46,618**	56.4	**18.4**	3.2
Claiborne	18,367	885,079	844,065	61,507	76,586	70,449	70,226	93,999	60,882	**67,608**	9.9	**11.0**	0.7
Concordia	23,577	1,040,474	1,069,580	61,507	98,681	98,652	100,042	113,812	70,253	**87,650**	42.5	**24.8**	8.4
Desoto	26,970	1,666,348	1,306,081	95,196	94,377	110,437	108,863	125,205	90,544	**81,905**	−14.0	**−9.5**	−20.5
E Baton Rouge	389,503	69,994,517	71,262,773	4,913,826	5,997,324	5,947,175	6,369,290	7,887,070	5,393,569	**5,536,886**	12.7	**2.7**	7.0
E Carroll	11,671	501,990	478,773	24,466	39,917	54,935	45,392	42,761	36,626	**46,400**	89.7	**26.7**	6.6
E Feliciana	19,939	433,780	406,181	29,844	32,290	43,626	36,754	50,022	30,013	**39,595**	32.7	**31.9**	4.2
Evangeline	34,367	1,332,331	1,415,170	81,542	132,162	117,301	184,309	168,283	104,104	**124,463**	52.6	**19.6**	17.5
Franklin	24,509	905,955	941,266	53,277	89,890	81,852	76,377	90,709	59,151	**75,460**	41.6	**27.6**	7.1
Grant	17,621	189,277	170,733	9,857	25,232	10,986	13,787	23,025	11,545	**11,169**	13.3	**−3.3**	−6.9
Iberia	69,257	9,056,676	7,215,551	485,450	635,057	611,177	579,611	712,616	630,847	**554,640**	14.3	**−12.1**	−11.7
Iberville	32,981	2,495,484	2,758,504	150,941	365,999	308,589	350,106	65,663	311,691	**263,850**	74.8	**−15.3**	10.7
Jackson	17,309	1,496,263	1,065,947	55,124	86,920	69,645	81,456	113,887	63,389	**58,734**	6.5	**−7.3**	−19.0
Jefferson	476,915	59,334,742	64,086,930	4,114,447	6,042,969	5,595,194	6,200,192	6,836,622	5,269,472	**5,740,902**	39.5	**8.9**	17.2
Jeff Davis	33,017	2,250,965	1,874,734	129,032	173,222	213,605	100,713	265,685	138,355	**117,082**	−9.3	**−15.4**	−4.2
Lafayette	169,694	46,929,202	37,848,843	2,685,235	3,183,319	3,152,235	3,145,881	4,337,235	3,033,640	**3,088,381**	15.0	**1.8**	−11.1
Lafourche	88,349	5,472,212	5,400,071	338,252	580,322	439,306	433,017	505,859	357,415	**441,028**	30.4	**23.4**	4.3
Lasalle	17,697	1,112,391	894,975	76,582	85,263	94,103	69,673	123,153	66,616	**77,357**	1.0	**16.1**	−4.8
Lincoln	41,847	3,515,146	3,451,541	199,033	377,226	300,826	304,802	332,637	233,011	**240,393**	20.8	**3.2**	2.7
Livingston	66,451	1,904,818	2,248,530	130,456	189,542	201,679	177,305	219,264	150,216	**162,959**	24.9	**8.5**	18.9
Madison	15,894	505,647	474,025	35,100	38,489	43,669	39,131	53,396	27,461	**37,558**	7.0	**36.8**	−5.9
Morehouse	35,183	2,067,755	1,663,519	98,115	104,459	217,727	103,301	158,353	196,652	**146,543**	49.4	**−25.5**	−0.2
Natchitoches	40,805	2,391,431	2,427,376	154,189	213,268	297,094	164,669	221,852	168,699	**565,083**	266.5	**235.0**	22.2
Orleans	567,062	121,066,976	115,929,931	8,904,614	9,239,581	9,828,586	9,102,617	11,678,991	7,871,508	**8,314,962**	−6.6	**5.6**	−2.9
Ouachita	142,300	20,693,667	21,771,914	1,513,736	1,992,697	1,181,085	1,968,226	2,447,809	1,513,242	**1,598,819**	5.6	**5.7**	7.9
Plaquemines	26,778	4,860,319	3,696,832	243,641	250,640	262,740	251,322	343,785	265,248	**306,084**	25.6	**15.4**	−5.2
Pointe Coupe	25,091	847,016	856,287	68,516	83,591	68,987	56,017	70,731	58,746	**75,893**	10.8	**29.2**	7.8
Rapides	138,346	12,154,223	12,635,359	869,831	1,250,921	1,195,802	199,294	1,372,760	990,325	**1,024,106**	17.7	**3.4**	7.3
Red River	11,114	378,710	373,779	25,841	35,606	33,948	29,394	41,458	28,084	**26,000**	0.6	**−7.4**	6.4
Richland	22,785	992,010	989,231	50,391	82,973	90,758	76,989	95,500	65,724	**72,583**	44.0	**10.4**	4.3
Sabine	27,139	1,227,784	1,082,189	77,191	107,551	88,911	81,040	107,815	80,756	**68,669**	−11.0	**−15.0**	−17.1
St Bernard	67,949	3,363,434	2,403,265	167,310	243,024	191,856	141,677	216,809	146,587	**181,175**	8.3	**23.6**	−26.7
St Charles	41,103	6,274,942	2,877,417	179,313	249,768	246,567	245,250	269,463	246,095	**1,033,016**	476.1	**319.8**	−37.2
St Helena	10,186	114,529	134,869	4,757	25,834	14,113	7,632	20,128	11,006	**17,500**	267.9	**59.0**	63.2
St James	21,970	1,002,413	1,101,744	137,455	84,262	98,300	87,509	107,713	67,438	**103,766**	−24.5	**53.9**	4.4
St John	37,668	2,482,106	2,747,164	179,835	391,261	272,263	280,654	282,666	251,672	**232,285**	29.2	**−7.7**	35.0
St Landry	87,800	6,560,646	5,105,021	383,265	451,022	446,825	450,133	552,515	446,327	**405,403**	5.8	**−9.2**	−16.8
St Martin	44,455	2,060,769	1,947,219	114,037	169,039	309,521	154,974	189,067	134,941	**131,954**	15.7	**−2.2**	3.1
St Mary	66,950	10,249,867	7,007,295	543,257	538,373	596,516	605,211	676,203	555,951	**543,298**	0.0	**−2.3**	−22.8
St Tammany	128,130	6,919,960	9,316,515	501,114	863,426	949,539	856,396	936,744	637,247	**816,262**	62.9	**28.1**	27.3
Tangipahoa	87,863	5,414,344	5,926,027	377,409	504,354	447,281	464,178	558,416	384,917	**405,092**	7.3	**5.2**	1.2
Tensas	8,244	273,146	198,411	7,920	19,989	17,503	12,560	16,338	12,198	**10,752**	35.8	**−11.9**	−22.8
Terrebonne	102,038	15,516,154	11,432,619	710,376	907,460	835,800	928,864	1,200,920	458,957	**879,875**	23.9	**91.7**	−17.1
Union	21,734	652,402	684,623	39,300	65,348	52,333	45,170	58,385	49,017	**51,466**	31.0	**5.0**	3.3
Vermillion	52,445	3,522,539	3,210,157	319,535	259,870	240,057	252,442	316,741	244,387	**230,612**	−27.8	**−5.6**	−6.9
Vernon	61,275	1,581,026	2,085,166	142,326	177,417	170,598	162,212	217,009	150,939	**158,485**	11.4	**5.0**	28.4
Washington	45,765	1,964,399	1,740,296	109,278	160,874	133,996	140,039	216,706	119,354	**134,472**	23.1	**12.7**	3.0
Webster	45,205	2,761,257	2,700,587	188,690	209,762	230,843	205,369	282,811	182,191	**193,515**	2.6	**6.2**	−0.3
W Baton Rouge	20,168	3,441,049	2,902,042	203,632	300,436	227,992	364,681	196,034	113,694	**124,329**	−38.9	**9.4**	−15.3
W Carroll	13,267	535,079	494,768	25,377	52,999	35,364	46,241	49,363	34,265	**21,619**	−14.8	**−36.9**	−3.2
W Feliciana	13,269	2,551,591	2,851,065	86,017	364,426	211,104	91,362	197,960	160,172	**161,364**	87.6	**0.7**	18.0
Winn	17,575	795,675	887,100	52,164	86,196	78,372	72,878	101,816	71,926	**75,215**	44.2	**4.6**	18.3
Out Of State		245,017,824	211,935,545	14,319,440	17,207,262	18,813,149	17,096,478	22,579,064	17,394,745	**17,075,846**	19.2	**−1.8**	−6.5
Total Sales Tax	4,437,847	796,100,874	735,292,543	50,950,537	62,719,175	63,438,392	61,683,336	76,887,384	55,684,231	**58,740,662**	15.3	**5.5**	−1.6

Louisiana Local Sales Tax Collections

(Collections For Indicated Month Based On Sales For Preceding Month)

Parish School Boards

	Rate	Pop	1982	1983	Apr 83	Nov 83	Dec 83	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	Apr 84	Percent Change		
												Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
												Same Month Prior Year	**Prior Month**	
Acadia	2.00	59,369	3,487,633	3,032,095	265,784	253,803	238,838	326,118	251,411	225,403				
Allen	1.00	21,739	907,276	977,971	71,259	80,283	77,967	105,816	69,825	72,281	**108,433**	52.2	**50.0**	3.8
Ascension	2.00	54,618	9,171,365	8,780,407	768,277	802,979	689,970	927,139	702,067	718,007	**873,844**	13.7	**21.7**	7.2
Assumption	3.00	23,955	2,194,108	2,554,537	207,568	243,154	225,077	195,260	195,475	176,250				
Avoyelles	1.50	42,715	2,416,627	2,369,982	210,353	204,304	197,415	246,082	184,515	179,918	**233,245**	10.9	**29.6**	0.9
Beauregard	1.00	31,207	1,604,703	1,883,358	145,115	164,836	144,536	220,502	149,139	169,225				
Bienville	2.00	16,288	949,710	1,139,334	89,296	131,844	69,205	85,122	60,766	62,516	**76,389**	−14.5	**22.2**	29.5
Bogalusaf	1.00		1,044,648	611,142	88,248									
Bossier	1.50	88,370	7,808,210	8,099,098	681,082	687,575	650,318	933,133	594,881	601,207	**789,428**	15.9	**31.3**	9.7
Caddo	1.00	261,817	20,908,284	20,377,832	1,701,789	1,631,260	1,833,632	2,095,412	1,639,593	1,618,295	**1,889,779**	11.0	**16.8**	3.2
Calcasieu	1.00	176,760	16,676,090	15,649,795	1,340,235	1,252,735	1,239,239	1,727,807	1,240,845	1,141,537	**1,320,631**	−1.5	**15.7**	−0.7
Caldwell	1.00	10,947	393,867	458,563	38,297	39,663	36,331	49,844	40,429	38,555	**44,550**	16.3	**15.5**	20.5
Catahoula	2.50	12,326	601,578	539,326	43,888	50,484	45,797	62,298	47,376	41,724				
Claiborne	1.00	18,367	945,214	998,430	76,096	167,370	54,838	101,549	91,563	86,201	**100,851**	32.5	**17.0**	25.4
Concordia	1.00	23,577	1,174,100	1,318,936	108,060	119,467	117,278	139,206	132,596	132,425	**130,420**	20.7	**−1.5**	22.0
Desoto	2.00	26,970	2,248,558	2,316,845	150,970	179,504	164,511	245,299	189,474	148,638	**206,213**	36.6	**38.7**	31.4
E Baton Rouge	1.00	389,503	31,483,141	33,402,316	2,594,719	2,838,994	3,480,580	2,757,674	3,128,128					
East Carroll	1.00	11,671	424,202	431,488	33,099	43,439	33,268	39,554	30,673	31,973	**36,849**	11.3	**15.3**	11.6
E Feliciana	3.00	19,937	1,756,534	1,696,485	164,840	147,848	140,246	197,319	194,539	125,368	**144,112**	−12.6	**15.0**	1.1
Evangeline	1.00	34,367	1,497,032	1,409,550	143,409	114,599	113,492	158,016	107,987	107,713	**142,486**	−0.6	**32.3**	−0.5
Franklin	1.50	24,509	1,300,003	1,398,650	124,963	120,888	9,707	271,445	83,021	132,279	**107,730**	−13.8	**−18.6**	2.4
Grant	1.00	17,621	403,988	419,365	43,448	33,552	32,406	48,802	36,358	32,581	**43,179**	−0.6	**32.5**	8.9
Iberia	1.75	69,257	7,896,933	6,136,540	564,892	497,677	491,470	611,049	470,228	698,000				
Iberville	1.00	32,981	4,120,443	3,659,191	302,076	376,773	296,833	512,793	299,142	352,826				
Jackson	1.00	17,309	1,550,007	2,005,433	242,371	153,593	156,372	209,713	143,071	174,013				
Jefferson Davis	1.00	33,017	2,653,582	2,285,297	171,446	163,627	163,132	203,234	161,580	185,361	**237,856**	38.7	**28.3**	−0.6
Jefferson	1.50	476,915	57,843,301	60,202,296	4,996,018	5,033,948	5,277,510	6,477,949	4,773,181	5,149,437	**5,165,348**	3.4	**0.3**	6.6
Lafayette	1.00	169,964	20,473,743	17,269,850	1,513,879	1,407,025	1,470,889	1,927,707	1,449,734	1,481,626	**1,677,541**	10.8	**13.2**	−6.2
Lafourche	1.00	88,349	6,051,343	5,812,429	475,406	472,073	420,230	630,571	418,871	461,861				
Lasalle	1.00	17,697	952,044	923,437	60,971	82,654	73,750	115,152		74,909	**74,291**	21.8	**−0.8**	0.0
Lincoln	1.00	41,847	2,092,881	2,164,791	157,706	180,698	215,241	163,914	176,009	205,498				
Livingston	2.00	66,451	5,182,668	6,099,619	466,932	645,565	447,372	712,658	479,762	440,041	**529,409**	13.4	**20.3**	21.6
Madison	1.50	15,894	767,000	737,000	52,000	64,000	68,000	71,000	54,000	59,000	**67,000**	28.8	**13.6**	5.0
Monroe	0.50		1,676,255	1,864,523	152,996	156,712	159,495	202,011	147,518	136,043	**175,608**	14.8	**29.1**	13.4
Morehouse	1.00	35,183	1,384,330	1,588,401	127,199	119,968	116,683	138,753	104,059	112,341	**136,037**	6.9	**21.1**	17.9
Natchitoches	1.00	40,805	1,941,821	2,135,267	177,619	160,734	190,290	223,427	190,508	153,710	**201,491**	13.4	**31.1**	16.3
Orleans	1.50	567,062	29,214,591	50,755,719	3,557,195	4,282,136	4,499,251	5,200,828	4,087,821					
Ouachita	0.50	142,300	2,734,960	3,042,118	249,626	255,688	260,228	329,596	240,687	221,965	**286,518**	14.8	**29.1**	13.4
Plaquemine	1.00	26,778	4,088,270	3,722,819	349,667	318,310	281,536	357,796	568,645	361,225	**312,953**	−10.5	**−13.4**	0.2
Pointe Coupee	1.00	25,091	3,299,338	2,014,763	162,517	159,435	72,898	108,433	566,617	103,910				
Red River	1.00	11,114	445,065	409,363	20,679	46,677	31,137	45,590	28,578	37,940				
Richland	1.50	22,785	1,448,594	1,442,195	134,671	117,560	48,976	227,176	113,289	109,605	**135,677**	0.7	**23.8**	2.3
Sabine	1.00	27,139	1,163,268	1,245,239	104,872	101,781	91,336	125,049	91,586	87,530	**120,636**	15.0	**37.8**	6.4
St Bernard	3.00	67,949	5,777,888	7,149,077	467,728	637,283	791,049	637,000	521,846	612,000				
St Charles	2.00	41,103	11,614,789	8,704,765	657,649	784,582	539,520	978,447	612,091	641,315	**847,771**	28.9	**32.2**	−17.4
St Helena	1.00	10,186	295,928	340,395	28,173	25,030	21,281	35,635	33,568	24,982				
St James	2.00	21,970	4,349,277	7,785,230	502,509	743,311	588,889	553,837	590,854	778,005	**559,806**	11.4	**−28.0**	50.5
St John	2.00	37,668	5,581,636	5,655,715	808,003	440,408	501,283	528,831	480,479	447,789	**521,825**	−35.4	**16.5**	−5.6
St Landry	1.00	87,800	5,384,586	4,434,974	391,742	365,659	389,733	550,003	341,078	346,468	**426,803**	9.0	**23.2**	−7.7
St Martin	1.00	44,455	2,438,676	2,208,335	181,033	177,304	172,136	221,548	175,886	177,040	**206,897**	14.3	**16.9**	2.4
St Mary	0.95	66,950	7,449,564	5,672,364	374,076	413,615	498,417	567,912	417,658	479,764				
St Tammany	2.00	128,130	13,191,017	15,457,926	1,084,329	1,607,800	1,324,450	1,641,849	1,210,749	1,216,688	**1,470,564**	35.6	**20.9**	21.1
Tangipahoa	2.00	87,863	4,382,490	5,328,394	323,531	786,778	775,252	1,022,640	684,732	704,788	**830,770**	156.8	**17.9**	68.1
Tensas	1.00	8,244	327,720	332,476	25,708	33,332	25,291	40,116	29,173					
Terrebonne	0.75	102,038	8,523,265	6,705,498	571,335	526,947	583,165	669,821	511,901	546,152	**599,974**	5.0	**9.9**	−10.5
Union	1.00	21,734	772,960	804,599	68,299	67,309	67,946	83,600	64,252	60,454	**73,539**	7.7	**21.6**	9.3
Vermilion	1.00	52,445	5,379,878	4,103,319	300,241	260,869	342,809	276,041	248,669	318,272				
Vernon	1.00	61,275	1,665,527	1,904,793	154,129	149,314	191,697	146,629	152,488					
Washington	2.00	45,765	1,606,628	1,594,133	109,946	142,116	130,605	174,941	128,534					
Webster	1.00	45,205	2,373,074	2,368,500	201,479	189,430	189,548	246,366	178,577	178,459				
W Baton Rouge	2.00	20,168	1,575,482	1,626,305	165,777	270,160	102,361	179,090	578,781	112,755				
W Carroll	1.00	13,267	523,215	508,132	42,509	45,166	6,745	79,634	36,757	41,500	**49,060**	15.4	**18.2**	1.5
W Feliciana	2.00	13,269	4,525,156	3,841,992	515,883	396,226	299,697	216,352	209,775					
Winn	1.25	17,575	838,646	926,884	77,943	77,514	78,147	91,439	75,008	75,932	**95,802**	22.9	**26.2**	11.6
Total			354,954,710	372,835,601	30,183,555	32,245,368	32,047,301	38,469,527	31,018,403	23,211,300	**21,051,315**			

Louisiana Local Sales Tax Collections

(Collections For Indicated Month Based On Sales For Preceding Month)

											Percent Change		
											Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
	Rate	Pop	1982	1983	Apr 83	Nov 83	Dec 83	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	Apr 84	Same Month Prior Year	Prior Month	
Police Juries														
Acadia	1.00	59,369		2,305,274	242,211	237,586	217,218	313,181	230,649	214,482				
Ascension		54,618	2,996,742	2,552,749	225,287	221,741	171,806	238,189	213,248	219,294				
Assumption	1.00	23,955	1,280,502	1,427,214	103,065	150,200	118,639	96,777	112,339	89,489				
Caldwell	1.00	10,947	393,867	459,563	39,297	39,663	36,331	49,844	40,429	38,555	44,550	13.4	15.5	20.2
Catahoula	1.50	12,326	843,628	821,362	61,076	69,821	71,443	101,269	63,965	68,417	65,251	6.8	−4.6	5.3
Concordia	1.00	23,577	462,426	577,298	45,044	63,799	77,913	74,857	69,180	56,641	64,272	42.7	13.5	56.2
Lafayette	1.00	169,694	4,902,784	3,195,720	306,219	273,164	352,402	350,973	289,012	343,658	42,929	−86.0	−87.5	−22.4
Lincoln	0.75	41,847	1,046,441	1,623,593	118,279	135,524	161,431	122,935	132,007	,154,123				
Madison		15,894	249,468	249,580	22,115	20,357	24,477	23,982	18,741	21,331	22,417	1.4	5.1	3.6
Ouachita	1.00	142,300	2,315,549	2,583,554	212,890	223,017	204,171	236,629	219,561	201,720	246,833	15.9	22.4	17.0
Pointe Coupee	1.00	25,091	3,679,288	2,213,779	182,210	176,366	87,465	123,771	582,805	121,840				
Rapides	1.00	138,346	8,192,968	8,861,752	731,000	767,745	755,930	982,879	630,953	689,533	814,540	11.4	18.1	10.3
Red River	1.00	11,114	407,362	413,602	41,366	30,508	33,477	50,043	43,588	34,161	39,572	−4.3	15.8	13.4
St Bernard		67,949	5,822,888	7,149,076	467,728	637,283	791,048	637,000	521,846	612,000				
Tensas	1.00	8,244	362,751	279,369	42,103	28,013								
Vermillion	1.00	52,445	5,391,480	4,103,253	300,235	260,863	342,809	276,041	248,669	318,272				
Total			38,348,144	38,816,738	3,140,125	3,335,650	3,446,560	3,678,370	3,416,992	3,183,516	1,340,364			
Cities & Towns														
Abbeville	1.00		1,079,918	1,008,261	87,197	81,848	82,440	108,626	80,909	83,625	84,611	−3.0	1.2	−3.8
Abita Springs	2.00		22,576	31,734	2,085	2,356	2,684	3,420	2,071	2,722				
Albany	1.00		31,334	33,178	2,689	3,589	2,590	3,274	2,362	2,229	3,165	17.7	42.0	3.2
Alexandria	1.00		4,611,151	5,076,408	403,530	428,499	448,123	616,430	361,491	392,309	465,307	15.3	18.6	11.6
Amite City	2.00		727,877	814,629	79,426	70,625	66,188	90,737	68,185	58,537	73,593	−7.3	25.7	6.9
Angie	1.00													
Arcadia	1.00		215,466	225,776	16,476	19,650	17,932	22,261	17,783	19,228				
Arnaudville	2.00		139,026	174,464	15,596	13,783	15,908	11,998	20,198	14,045	14,195	−9.0	1.1	7.8
Baker	2.00		1,226,799	1,445,313	117,211	112,297	110,579	222,674	105,401	103,954				
Basile	2.00		108,029	101,577	9,192	8,599	8,546	9,660	7,811	7,425	11,291	22.8	52.1	−4.4
Bastrop	1.00		1,070,427	1,363,734	102,926	105,807	97,650	117,139	90,118	96,995	109,539	6.4	12.9	24.9
Benton	1.00							7,762	5,054					
Bernice	1.00		74,469	82,907	8,563	5,908	6,084	9,182	6,347	6,310				
Bogalusa	3.00		2,374,118	2,835,620	235,360	228,942	249,182	325,314	226,819	249,989	254,248	8.0	1.7	12.6
Bonita	1.00		15,535	13,427	1,324	922	755	814	833	1,081				
Bossier City	1.50		4,528,941	6,174,615	496,706	513,731	491,721	700,067	479,969	463,331	596,784	20.1	28.8	26.2
Breaux Bridge	1.00		460,724	472,275	44,020	35,993	40,273	45,619	34,750	34,783	43,600	−1.0	25.3	1.3
Broussard	1.00		438,941	330,131	22,212	19,061	25,151	28,114	27,532	29,764	32,341	45.6	8.7	−14.3
Bunkie	1.50		517,523	540,807	47,887	46,964	47,815	59,903	37,308	40,455	56,540	18.1	39.8	7.1
Campti	1.00													
Cankton	1.00		9,901	8,150	635	611	549	693	813	511	775	22.0	51.7	3.8
Carencro	1.00		394,691	373,880	38,737	27,872	29,240	29,162	25,547	25,602	39,411	1.7	53.9	−4.6
Church Point	1.00		234,859	217,157	19,586	16,569	19,346	24,616	16,494	17,111				
Colfax	2.00		74,130	147,517	16,112	13,214	12,075	16,530	11,938	12,472	16,894	4.9	35.5	75.9
Columbia	1.00		73,665	101,181	7,373	8,617	8,241	10,285	5,545	10,331	4,298	−41.7	−58.4	10.0
Cotton Valley	1.00		29,477	30,868	1,022	2,545	2,218	2,008						
Cottonport	1.00		80,288	82,607	6,560	6,430	7,917	9,262	6,070	6,207	8,133	24.0	31.0	8.6
Coushatta	1.00		226,775	211,851	17,575	15,531	16,670	25,028	16,391	16,222				
Covington	2.00		1,016,750	1,841,454	119,976	160,028	244,334	140,339	139,699	155,635				
Crowley	2.00		1,913,815	2,015,460	185,824	158,616	162,715	223,363	144,058	146,063				
Cullen	1.00		38,953	39,213	3,323	3,677	2,824	3,961	3,048	2,887	4,196	26.3	45.3	7.3
Delcambre	1.00		110,748	91,509	7,752	9,635	6,103	8,696	6,479	5,039	10,087	30.1	100.2	−11.7
Delhi	0.50		100,868	119,077	19,701	9,368	9,024	8,448	11,576	8,119	8,599	−56.4	5.9	−4.8
Delta	1.00		6,227	5,867	436	1,179	258	464	735	234	1,098	151.8	369.2	12.2
Denham Spgs	1.00		1,061,102	1,168,402	95,626	98,193	98,027	133,295	87,705	95,676				
Dequincy	2.00		246,477	239,497	20,815	18,230	20,578	46,284	36,165	33,762	42,896	106.1	27.1	34.1
DeRidder	1.00		826,009	875,705	76,425	77,565	79,451	101,270	68,074	67,534	77,699	1.7	15.1	13.2
Dixie Inn	1.00		56,930	58,227	4,735	4,282	4,527	5,459	4,132	4,067	4,782	1.0	17.6	3.6
Donaldsonville	2.00		461,681	659,418	56,018	56,044	57,680	95,752	52,750	65,646				
Dubach	1.00		20,207	21,643	1,365	1,906	1,559	2,370						
Duson	2.00		106,251	178,173	15,063	10,466	20,124	12,738	10,244	16,831	11,509	−23.6	−31.6	60.6
Elizabeth	1.00		6,395	14,282	885	1,580	1,016	1,464	1,356	1,209	1,318	48.9	9.0	
Elton	1.00		48,926	37,996	3,381	3,400	2,001	4,524	2,932	3,133	3,780	11.8	20.7	−11.2
Erath	1.00		135,031	125,231	11,359	9,220	9,216	11,647	9,405	8,993	10,491	−7.6	16.7	−4.9
Estherwood	2.00		11,288	12,903	989	1,116	1,101	804	706	860				
Eunice	2.00		1,963,046	1,838,133	152,909	153,347	155,883	188,096	131,353	165,830				
E Baton Rouge	2.00	389,503	60,092,719	63,310,820	5,211,173	5,474,393	5,364,972	6,613,858	5,266,005	5,118,504				
Farmerville	1.00		267,599	291,989	24,044	23,764	23,141	29,327	26,673	20,928	24,689	2.7	18.0	6.9
Ferriday	1.00		366,149	366,154	29,827	28,644	27,644	38,642	31,083	29,566	31,683	6.2	7.2	3.6

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	Rate	Pop	1982	1983	Apr 83	Nov 83	Dec 83	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	**Apr 84**	Same Month Prior Year	**Prior Month**	
Florien	1.00													
Folsom	1.00		40,270	36,137	3,441	1,695	3,119	5,152	5,016	3,089	**4,399**	27.8	**42.4**	8.4
Franklinton	1.00		391,405	433,598	30,201	41,559	36,293	60,843	30,309	30,665	**37,255**	23.4	**21.5**	18.0
Gibsland	1.00							1,858	925	1,602	**2,072**		**29.3**	
Gilbert	1.00		13,685	18,559	1,467	1,424	2,220	1,392	1,521	1,648				
Glenmora	1.00		44,118	46,616	3,829	3,531	3,961	4,120	2,839	3,185	**4,022**	5.0	**26.3**	4.9
Gold Meadow	1.00		140,180	122,433	8,464	13,449	1,228	7,917	3,962	9,924	**9,214**	8.9	**−7.2**	−18.0
Gonzales	1.00		1,114,383	1,193,461	96,374	100,955	100,543	133,691	87,960	99,307	**121,320**	25.9	**22.2**	11.9
Grambling	1.00			45,022	3,317	5,863	4,736							
Gramercy	1.00		188,322	191,186	15,383	15,106	19,917	20,342	12,118	13,805	**15,384**		**11.4**	−5.3
Grand Coteau	1.00		29,407	31,224	3,246	2,108	2,864	2,734	2,033	2,809	**3,400**	4.7	**21.0**	14.0
Greensburg	1.00		44,138	47,189	5,658	3,040	2,897	6,177	3,364	3,474				
Gueydan	1.00		5,835	90,713	7,264	8,013	7,740	8,200	6,611					
Hall Summit	1.00		4,810	6,944	264	469	580	344	326	391				
Hammond	2.00		2,413,593	4,201,935	317,306	336,582	350,903	521,850	304,102	320,282	**383,404**	20.8	**19.7**	45.2
Haughton	1.00		34,481	37,799	2,949	2,545	2,341	2,813	3,010	4,142				
Haynesville	1.00		202,986	169,504	12,572	12,472	14,618	16,717	16,505	16,432	**16,532**	31.5	**0.6**	−6.0
Henderson	1.00		66,902	64,701	4,142	5,779	3,104	5,529	7,909	3,953	**4,216**	1.8	**6.7**	−9.2
Homer	1.00		328,256	286,627	22,257	27,733	21,771	38,280	21,559	23,045	**26,010**	16.9	**12.9**	8.8
Iberville	1.00	32,981	4,122,393	[illegible]	302,077	376,785	296,893	512,836	299,100	352,710				
Independence	2.50		119,951	144,630	10,712	15,463	12,468	16,582	11,206	9,255				
Iota	1.00		58,279	47,536	4,459	3,509	3,844	4,449	4,911	3,594				
Iowa	1.00		99,853	110,343	7,140	8,387	8,923	9,266	8,497	12,257				
Jeanerette	1.25		374,155	348,126	30,486	29,547	27,994	36,425	26,150	32,100				
Jefferson	1.50	476,915	57,352,206	59,756,242	4,953,296	4,999,329	5,242,113	6,450,840	4,734,759	5,111,081	**5,124,435**	3.5	**0.3**	6.7
Jennings	1.00		1,155,993	1,005,584	82,113	77,921	76,817	98,930	78,121	74,238	**91,164**	11.0	**22.8**	−5.0
Jonesboro	2.00		653,776	681,523	57,480	54,767	53,093	78,802	50,606	57,237	**61,136**	6.4	**6.8**	6.4
Kaplan	1.00		300,563	295,983	25,378	20,417	25,011	33,610	20,723	21,929	**26,767**	5.5	**22.1**	3.2
Kentwood	1.00		194,690	193,845	15,600	16,477	16,253	22,010	14,099	14,430	**18,755**	20.2	**30.0**	4.8
Kinder	1.00		72,034	188,701	16,118	16,610	15,986	18,560	13,452	16,266	**16,418**	1.9	**0.9**	
Krotz Springs	1.00		54,663	52,789	4,890	2,259	7,723	30,983	5,342	3,562				
Lafayette	1.00		14,263,840	12,901,705	1,107,461	1,050,450	1,027,435	1,474,194	1,071,099	1,044,120	**1,135,538**	2.5	**8.8**	−4.4
Lafourche	0.50	88,349	2,176,690	2,085,909	163,782	177,681	154,798	218,320	148,930	161,942				
Lake Arthur	2.00		166,618	271,409	21,863	17,739	21,842	24,614	21,238	19,689	**26,615**	21.7	**35.2**	38.0
Lake Charles	1.00		7,119,302	7,278,335	650,253	613,805	645,502	793,163	525,462	523,223	**607,467**	−6.6	**16.1**	4.3
L Providence	1.00		174,803	226,928	20,286	18,347	20,095	22,047	13,911	16,690	**18,044**	−11.1	**8.1**	3.4
Leesville	1.00		761,176	1,086,472	77,935	69,553	104,814	104,814	132,690	87,058				
Livingston	1.00	66,451	53,514	65,955	6,322	5,058	4,077	6,909	5,148	4,482	**6,412**	1.4	**43.1**	11.5
Lockport	1.00		138,405	156,748	12,143	11,561	11,693	16,813						
Logansport	1.00		112,860	107,316	9,844	8,078	10,786							
Loreauville	1.00		48,547	39,773	3,577	3,609	2,933	4,150	3,427	3,571	**3,961**	10.7	**10.9**	−11.9
Lutcher	1.00		122,692	120,847	8,132	11,229	10,511	10,112	10,533	10,275	**11,246**	38.3	**9.5**	2.3
Madisonville	1.00			40,168	3,361	3,887	2,194	6,302	4,379	2,314	**3,337**	−0.7	**44.2**	
Mamou	1.00		137,084	139,394	12,700	11,206	12,210	22,928	27,893	10,847	**15,968**	25.7	**47.2**	25.6
Mandeville	1.00		482,016	730,924	50,765	66,932	66,843	102,360	63,848	63,682	**69,829**	37.6	**9.7**	60.2
Mangham	1.00		29,879	29,945	2,118	2,966	1,792	3,520	2,209	3,263	**2,532**	19.5	**−22.4**	13.9
Mansfield	1.00		537,877	520,997	40,424	45,915	42,641	61,291	41,246	35,028	**50,250**	24.3	**43.5**	3.7
Many	1.00		417,268	439,539	36,973	37,651	36,045	51,401	32,754	34,824	**43,473**	17.6	**24.8**	8.5
Marksville	1.50		545,935	551,372	49,453	47,010	47,495	56,839	41,635	43,992	**46,700**	−5.6	**6.2**	1.3
Maurice	1.00		34,142	36,392	2,590	3,424	2,520	3,275	3,302	3,033				
Melville	1.00		42,070	49,469	4,693	2,887	5,022	3,947	3,907	3,598	**4,719**	0.6	**31.2**	21.1
Mer Rouge	1.00		61,176	57,256	3,724	6,798	4,048	3,326	4,024	4,139	**5,295**	42.2	**27.9**	6.4
Mermentau	1.00		10,367	30,598	1,178	664	1,774	1,183	849	680				
Merryville	1.00		10,276	35,486	3,266	2,838	3,177	3,352	2,474	2,618	**2,172**	−33.5	**−17.0**	
Minden	1.00		1,000,004	1,042,468	83,669	82,581	79,628	116,299	76,269	98,452				
Monroe	2.50		6,818,656	11,737,497	982,789	1,052,081	1,100,310	1,487,852	975,969	906,123	**1,193,676**	21.5	**31.7**	72.2

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Oakdale	1.00		342,333	340,258	29,761	27,759	29,280	40,427	25,363	25,162	**29,028**	−2.5	**15.4**	4.6
Oberlin	1.00		60,965	67,251	7,692	3,317	6,693	5,496	6,163	3,969	**7,955**	3.4	**100.4**	10.3
Oil City	1.00		102,852	98,734	7,139	9,382	8,562	11,595	8,058	9,848	**11,642**	63.1	**18.2**	11.3
Opelousas	2.00		2,952,306	2,916,910	245,967	240,543	249,288	336,939	214,342	221,528	**251,326**	2.2	**13.5**	1.6
Pearl River	1.00		70,254	69,583	6,473	6,234	5,480	7,103	6,123	5,292	**4,352**	−32.8	−17.8	−0.3
Pine Prairie	2.00		33,624	39,184	3,123	4,400	2,920	3,102	3,673	3,311				
Pineville	1.00		722,684	774,482	66,904	75,136	65,996	74,162	60,088	64,522	**67,624**	1.1	**4.8**	9.6
Plain Dealing	1.00		68,044	81,171	6,769	7,355	6,462	8,303	6,842	5,950				
Plaquemine CC	1.00	26,778	4,366,988	3,722,819	349,667	318,310	281,536	357,796	568,645	361,225	**312,953**	−10.5	− 13.4	0.2
Plaucheville	1.00		12,027	9,977	704	906	702	829	748	688				
Pleasant Hill	1.00		17,876	14,283	1,045	1,271	1,387	1,654	1,383	993				
Pollock	1.00		11,015	14,474	1,249	1,092	1,274	1,447	989	1,058	**1,334**	6.8	**26.1**	18.7
Ponchatoula	2.00		499,239	766,559	62,416	66,724	68,407	93,107	58,995	59,863	**63,335**	1.5	**5.8**	26.9
Port Allen	1.00		333,254	335,693	28,083	30,157	25,880	23,263	30,381	23,655	**24,271**	−13.6	**2.6**	−2.8
Port Barre	1.90		109,974	88,229	7,344	5,326	6,563	7,153	5,876	5,369	**7,797**	6.2	**45.2**	−6.6
Rayne	2.00		872,013	806,501	71,936	60,226	57,620	98,867	54,659	56,747	**76,996**	7.0	**35.7**	−5.0
Rayville	1.50		469,528	499,609	39,281	40,613	40,323	57,470	36,266	35,168				
Richmond	1.00		20,654	21,322	971	1,359	3,782	1,642						
Ringold	1.00		69,232	64,197	5,485	3,503								
Roseland	2.00		39,251	59,365	4,602	5,491	4,554	5,156	5,721	5,588	**5,421**	17.8	−3.0	25.5
Rosepine	1.00		16,930	19,199	2,076	1,384	1,323	1,898	1,661	1,459	**1,376**	−33.7	−5.7	−0.9
Ruston	0.50		780,298	843,297	62,989	66,333	85,001	62,304	66,766	77,720				
Sarepta	1.00		16,258	17,059	1,284	1,654	1,751	1,738	857	918				
Scott	2.00		293,422	292,385	23,004	25,225	22,096	31,023	25,405	26,049	**28,343**	23.2	**8.8**	8.2
Shreveport	2.00		26,088,616	26,216,545	2,151,762	2,121,103	2,282,723	2,757,201	2,592,739	2,643,716	**3,164,897**	47.1	**19.7**	11.7
Sibley	1.00		10,770	9,971	1,103	733	638	1,096	1,169	696	**1,027**	−6.9	**47.6**	
Simmesport	1.00		20,647	87,813	7,077	8,466	8,433	8,491	6,686	6,656	**8,147**	15.1	**22.4**	
Slidell	1.00		2,404,696	2,518,014	215,832	212,461	209,767	309,042	218,119	207,573	**243,075**	12.6	**17.1**	9.4
Sorrento			25,941	28,428	2,507	2,329	2,537	2,333	2,437	2,356	**2,203**	−12.1	−6.5	9.9
Springfield	1.00		21,258	26,665	1,975	2,263	2,313	2,022	2,272	1,807	**2,592**	31.2	**43.4**	11.3
Springhill	1.00		493,754	511,062	47,416	39,170	39,720	58,666	37,121	39,006				
St Charles CC	1.00	41,103	3,441,316	3,252,145	205,071	379,297	266,066	482,024	303,775	314,552	**420,577**	105.1	**33.7**	18.5
St Francisville	1.00		176,806	217,609	17,810	18,242	22,528	25,044	14,991	17,150				
St James	1.00		1,847,386	3,573,199	224,070	345,087	263,963	246,135	271,204	364,914	**252,918**	12.9	−30.7	58.0
St Martinville	1.00		407,486	381,453	34,818	28,205	32,779	37,665	31,304	28,807	**35,426**	1.7	**23.0**	−5.8
St Mary	1.75	66,950	13,779,469	10,448,389	688,927	761,643	918,304	1,046,664	769,773	883,718				
St Mary(a)	0.30			146,385		31,069	28,143	46,683	29,135	36,296				
St Mary(b)	0.30			91,251		31,032	30,695	39,881	26,419	32,253				
Sterlington	1.50			4,161			4,161	4,168	5,018	4,127				
Sulphur	2.00		2,792,089	2,770,534	239,702	221,534	221,450	284,257	212,408	208,116	**237,367**	−1.0	**14.1**	0.8
Sun	1.00		5,200	10,946	539	416	3,955	455	441	734				
Sunset	1.00		101,763	96,337	8,169	7,051	7,154	9,192	6,706	6,354	**9,258**	13.3	**45.7**	−5.7
Tallulah	1.00		295,620	296,284	27,021	23,984	24,537	31,559	21,535					
Tangipahoa	1.00	87,863	17,356	17,386	1,981	1,310	1,340	1,322	1,288	1,191	**2,139**	8.0	**79.6**	−12.1
Terrebonne	1.25	102,038	14,205,443	11,176,505	952,225	878,246	971,941	1,116,369	853,168	910,253	**999,957**	5.0	**9.9**	−10.5
Thibodaux	2.00		2,655,441	2,652,765	246,584	203,264	245,501	272,065	181,197	196,582	**228,406**	−7.4	**16.2**	0.2
Tickfaw	1.00		23,904					661	279	846				
Vidalia	1.00		362,305	375,897	34,149	30,089	21,813	41,140	29,711	28,535	**34,381**	0.7	**20.5**	−1.7
Village Parks	2.00		53,505	60,937	6,023	3,715	4,532	3,682						
Ville Platte	2.00		530,420	537,110	46,581	41,049	41,564	65,174	37,629	76,184				
Vinton	2.00		241,200	249,321	23,614	23,336	18,068	24,061	21,561	19,014	**23,731**	0.5	**24.8**	6.8
Vivian	1.00		293,515	316,868	25,993	26,879	26,611	31,642	19,986	25,149	**28,602**	10.0	**13.7**	10.3
Walker	1.00		102,902	163,759	27,622	10,209	11,337	29,762						
Washington	1.00		48,642	47,617	3,818	4,834	3,572	3,965	3,668	3,463				
Welsh	1.00		201,291	174,659	15,549	13,885	14,784	15,309	13,233	15,372	**18,384**	18.2	**19.6**	−2.1
W Ascensn(c)	0.50		355,415	342,371	28,827	28,273	29,871	34,947	25,124	27,472	**38,411**	33.2	**39.8**	1.9
W Baton Rouge	2.00	20,168	1,625,430	1,482,810	165,777	229,021								
W Monroe	1.50		2,371,683	2,819,041	252,358	236,470	263,308	315,712	219,959	202,059	**265,242**	5.1	**31.3**	19.8
Westlake	2.00		603,994	611,502	61,142	47,705	47,517	60,007	49,990	57,594				
Winnsboro	1.00		558,502	560,795	51,349	49,047	47,232	65,970	37,494					
Wisner	1.00		65,661	68,956	6,071	5,566	5,818	7,456	5,384	5,640	**6,159**	1.4	**9.2**	13.7
Youngsville	2.00		121,282	146,225	15,157	11,027	10,777	12,637	9,707	9,615	**12,196**	−19.5	**26.8**	7.4
Zachary	2.00		998,209	1,095,375	86,144	81,672	110,177	147,892	75,822	87,413	**91,846**	6.6	**5.1**	10.1
Total			391,298,953	421,507,029	33,236,778	35,467,106	35,813,035	44,531,115	33,676,051	36,578,570	**29,353,519**			

"Rate" is the Current Sales Tax Percentage Levied
"Pop" is the July, 1983 Population Estimates by Louisiana Tech
(a) St Mary Parish — Wards 1, 2, 3, 4, 7, & 10
(b) St Mary Parish — Wards 5 & 8
(c) West Ascension Hospital Service District

Economic Indicators: LOUISIANA METROPOLITAN AREAS

NEW ORLEANS AREA

	Nov 83	Dec 83	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	Apr 84	Percent Change		
							Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
							Same Month Prior Year	**Prior Month**	
EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS									
Total Civilian Labor Force (000)	530.5	528.8	530.2	530.3	530.0	**532.6**	0.6	**0.5**	1.2
Total Employed (000)	478.4	480.8	482.4	484.1	487.5	**491.2**	4.2	**0.8**	1.6
Total Unemployed (000)	52.1	48.0	47.8	46.2	42.5	**41.4**	−28.7	−2.6	−2.8
Unemployment Rate	9.8	9.1	9.0	8.7	8.0	**7.8**	−29.1	−2.5	−4.0
Average Weekly Manufacturing Earnings	359.58	362.94	387.60	395.60	397.17	**395.08**	14.50	−0.53	1.86
Average Weekly Manufacturing Hours	39.0	38.9	40.0	40.7	41.2	**41.5**	9.2	**0.7**	0.9
CONSTRUCTION									
Highway Construction Contracts ($ Million)	313.85			295.30	309.29	**268.66**		−13.14	
Value Of Construction Contracts ($ Million)									
Residential	33.6	23.1	44.4	42.3	53.3				
Nonresidential	86.2	30.1	58.9	34.0	58.2				
Number Of Construction Contracts	780	583	870	939	1,033				
WELFARE ACTIVITY									
Aid To Dependent Children									
Amount Paid	4,235,652	4,235,413	4,244,068	4,253,399	4,270,376	**4,282,307**		**0.3**	
Children	50,954	50,993	51,006	50,977	51,181	**51,430**		**0.5**	
Food Stamp Information									
Coupon Value	7,231,723	7,146,013	7,086,767	7,154,884	7,250,310	**7,212,202**		−0.5	
Recipients	154,466	150,470	148,318	150,254	151,921	**151,757**		−0.1	
Medicaid Information									
Claims									
Payments									
GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY									
Attendance Of Conventions And Meetings	47,889	27,610	42,923	46,415	64,203	**61,659**	18.6	−4.0	−4.7
Beer Sales Information									
Cases Sold	1,227,529	1,209,867	920,987	1,245,894					
Taxes	135,028	133,086	101,308	137,047					
Telephone Lines (000)		776.6	777.1	778.3	780.8	**[illegible]82.2**		**0.2**	
Total Mortgage Loans Closed ($ Million)	137.5	147.7	149.3	116.5	148.8				
NEW ORLEANS PORT ACTIVITY(000 Tons)									
Breakbulk Cargo									
Imports	154.3	135.4	172.6	264.8	202.4				
Exports	15.9	60.3	31.8	70.7	38.6				
Container Cargo									
Imports	66.8	77.7	87.5	87.7	64.6				
Exports	82.2	125.4	113.4	123.4	80.8				
Ro–Ro Cargo									
Imports	17.0	13.5	20.4	27.0	20.0				
Exports	34.3	22.4	44.6	42.9	43.4				
Lash & Seabee Cargo									
Imports	37.3	17.4	20.5	33.9	26.3				
Exports	18.8	2.2	25.7	10.7	11.2				
Grain Exports	986.9	935.0	927.4	807.4	908.0				
Bulk Terminal Cargo									
Imports	71.7	127.3	100.3	122.3	141.3				
Exports	64.4	20.0	43.1	2.6	12.6				
Vessel Arrivals	300	305	320	279	361				
Grain Deliveries (Million Bushels)	32.9	32.0	32.7	27.9	33.5				
Coffee Imports (000 Bags)	332.0	198.5	272.7	168.4	248.0				
Sugar Imports (000 Long Tons)	63.6	39.2	0.0	112.9	80.6				
Duty Collected ($ Million)	11	13	14	16	14				
Import Cars Loaded	221	149	261	231	383				
NEW ORLEANS AIRPORT ACTIVITY									
Cargo (Tons)	191	197	169	175	208				
Flight Arrivals	4,445	4,715	4,874	4,815	5,636				
Passengers (000)									
Enplaned	249.2	232.4	213.9	209.3	272.3				
Deplaned	248.3	233.5	220.8	219.0	267.3				
Mail (Tons)									
Enplaned	553.1	782.5	569.2	608.5	594.5				
Deplaned	591.1	769.8	615.8	608.5	673.3				
Freight (Tons)									
Enplaned	1087.5	1214.5	897.1	1038.7	1136.9				
Deplaned	1605.3	1614.9	1483.7	1594.1	1568.8				
Express (Tons)									
Enplaned	10.9	8.5	12.2	9.9	11.9				
Deplaned	28.4	38.5	27.9	23.7	27.3				
VITAL STATISTICS									
Births	1,919	1,611							
Deaths	869	904							
REVENUE COLLECTIONS									
Retail Sales Tax — State	16,811,742	16,546,132	19,938,629	14,170,909	16,086,317				

NEW CARS & TRUCKS SALES

NEW ORLEANS

	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	Dec 83	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	Apr 84	Percent Change		
													Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
													Same Month Prior Year	Prior Month	
New Car Sales															
Buick	334	352	331	435	295	348	327	314	362	360	275	**385**	15.6	**40.0**	
Cadillac	157	131	145	148	131	117	135	164	130	127	107	**138**	16.9	**29.0**	
Chevrolet	517	498	405	547	384	429	476	494	444	433	519	**429**	7.5	−17.3	
Chrylser	58	67	68	70	65	82	58	45	53	54	55	**52**	−21.2	−5.5	
Datsun	322	312	265	329	277	198	186	317	282	265	222	**234**	−12.7	**5.4**	
Dodge	143	193	168	168	132	120	132	145	151	127	127	**131**	59.8	**3.1**	
Ford	513	580	589	583	724	608	420	506	454	629	551	**608**	44.4	**10.3**	
Honda	84	132	80	133	114	122	105	164	124	121	111	**179**	57.0	**61.3**	
Lincoln	70	80	68	91	86	101	117	61	66	48	68	**87**	47.5	**27.9**	
Mazda	76	73	72	101	80	62	69	53	62	76	60	**59**	−10.6	−1.7	
Mercury	191	196	144	196	141	139	163	156	145	204	168	**168**	−18.0		
Oldsmobile	520	617	638	613	366	483	504	451	459	492	507	**479**	16.5	−5.5	
Plymouth	88	41	58	52	43	52	52	47	83	46	62	**41**	7.9	−33.9	
Pontiac	155	179	163	204	152	205	192	185	284	221	307	**262**	71.2	−14.7	
Renault	52	81	45	75	39	54	42	52	37	29	35	**32**	−50.8	−8.6	
Toyota	254	333	327	338	222	242	261	254	276	275	193	**162**	−31.1	−16.1	
Volkswagen	39	47	37	33	41	32	29	28	50	31	31	**22**	−21.4	−29.0	
Volvo	62	59	37	40	33	36	30	37	31	41	59	**40**	−14.9	−32.2	
Other	198	237	167	214	219	181	171	208	262	162	190	**183**	7.0	−3.7	
Total Car Sales	3,833	4,208	3,807	4,370	3,544	3,611	3,469	3,681	3,755	3,741	3,647	**3,691**	12.6	**-1.2**	
New Truck Sales															
Chevrolet	313	322	300	441	296	337	319	395	331	344	358	**410**	25.4	**14.5**	
Datsun	43	52	75	72	58	43	16	62	54	108	89	**61**	84.8	−31.5	
Dodge	135	198	143	142	111	104	110	126	126	154	146	**147**	22.5	**0.7**	
Ford	560	649	503	559	499	514	493	482	471	465	533	**565**	3.3	**6.0**	
GMC	53	68	47	52	48	49	41	34	43	47	43	**45**	−38.4	**4.7**	
Mazda	11	26	18	35	26	14	17	29	29	32	32	**19**	−38.7	−40.6	
Toyota	67	141	120	142	131	73	67	114	156	216	131	**142**	65.1	**8.4**	
Other	68	69	46	73	63	76	95	100	102	88	107	**159**	65.6	**48.6**	
Total Truck Sales	1,250	1,525	1,252	1,516	1,232	1,210	1,158	1,342	1,312	1,454	1,439	**1,548**	17.9	**7.6**	

NEW CARS & TRUCKS SALES

BATON ROUGE

	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	Dec 83	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	Apr 84	Percent Change		
													Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
													Same Month Prior Year	Prior Month	
New Car Sales															
Buick	124	155	83	197	110	135	105	122	130	117	116	**104**	−1.9	−10.3	
Cadillac	35	71	44	63	73	53	59	58	82	49	37	**76**	33.3	**105.4**	
Chevrolet	168	267	212	218	184	205	237	201	254	214	227	**213**	−11.6	−6.2	
Chrysler	41	55	43	58	69	41	52	40	37	41	34	**32**	−34.7	−5.9	
Datsun	137	187	132	168	164	129	124	136	144	133	98	**92**	−22.0	−6.1	
Dodge	29	43	33	37	36	33	27	28	22	50	22	**28**	−6.7	**27.3**	
Ford	167	265	202	237	204	164	202	243	228	184	214	**215**	12.6	**0.5**	
Honda	42	49	36	59	38	95	55	52	75	75	61	**93**	481.3	**52.5**	
Lincoln	15	34	15	32	46	32	11	22	12	21	35	**21**	−8.7	−40.0	
Mazda	20	28	31	24	28	33	17	24	11	17	17	**17**	−15.0		
Mercury	46	57	40	65	60	51	49	51	57	83	67	**80**	37.9	**19.4**	
Oldsmobile	175	264	111	282	208	207	166	183	187	203	186	**190**	1.6	**2.2**	
Plymouth	24	28	28	31	32	17	29	14	14	23	34	**25**	13.6	−26.5	
Pontiac	126	185	115	184	153	162	168	119	141	148	144	**153**	54.5	**6.3**	
Renault	0	0	1	10	13	13	12	8	13	13	10	**2**	54.5	−80.0	
Toyota	241	256	283	330	287	246	294	265	298	273	192	**163**	−30.3	−15.1	
Volkswagen	24	23	7	15	18	11	8	12	21	13	22	**22**	−15.4		
Volvo	38	54	23	84	49	41	40	47	48	54	69	**64**	30.6	−7.2	
Other	82	129	138	128	110	114	72	80	92	103	79	**81**	−16.5	**2.5**	
Total Car Sales	1,534	2,150	1,577	2,222	1,882	1,782	1,727	1,705	1,866	1,814	1,664	**1,671**	3.0	**0.4**	
New Truck Sales															
Chevrolet	148	242	194	204	184	191	202	159	212	174	229	**247**	54.4	**7.9**	
Datsun	22	35	22	62	32	35	25	21	35	117	86	**37**	48.0	−57.0	
Dodge	115	143	60	119	128	82	88	89	104	102	41	**130**	−13.3	−7.8	
Ford	235	285	261	305	266	210	243	270	277	230	254	**300**	21.0	**18.1**	
GMC	35	49	34	38	22	39	35	27	30	35	26	**38**	−19.1	**46.2**	
Mazda	6	23	18	31	18	34	24	35	32	34	20	**24**	100.0	**20.0**	
Toyota	147	251	202	293	282	283	173	186	341	307	227	**201**	44.6	−11.5	
Other	51	48	52	56	40	44	44	60	62	47	37	**50**	2.0	**35.1**	
Total Truck Sales	759	1,076	843	1,108	972	918	834	847	1,093	1,046	1,020	**1,027**	23.7	**0.7**	

Economic Indicators: LOUISIANA METROPOLITAN AREAS

BATON ROUGE AREA

	Nov 83	Dec 83	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	**Apr 84**	**Percent Change**		
							Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
							Same Month Prior Year	**Prior Month**	
EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS									
Total Civilian Labor Force (000)	244.9	242.6	239.9	242.2	241.2	**243.1**	1.9	**0.8**	3.4
Total Employed (000)	222.9	222.1	219.7	222.5	223.7	**225.8**	5.3	**0.9**	4.1
Total Unemployed (000)	22.0	20.5	20.2	19.7	17.5	**17.3**	−28.2	**−1.1**	−2.9
Unemployment Rate	9.0	8.4	8.4	8.1	7.2	**7.1**	−29.7	**−1.4**	−5.9
Average Weekly Manufacturing Earnings	470.11	498.74	498.10	492.46	501.50	**503.14**	7.64	**0.33**	3.48
Average Weekly Manufacturing Hours	42.2	42.7	42.5	42.6	42.9	**43.6**	7.9	**1.6**	3.4
CONSTRUCTION									
Highway Construction Contracts ($ Million)	33.20			32.34	33.54	**29.17**		−13.03	
Value Of Construction Contracts ($Million)									
Residential	38.0	28.7	39.0	21.6	50.8				
Nonresidential	32.4	15.9	17.9	38.8	32.2				
Number Of Construction Contracts	675	474	1,230	494	991				
WELFARE ACTIVITY									
Aid To Dependent Children									
Amount Paid	1,024,879	1,042,078	1,053,296	1,076,980	1,092,354	**1,109,447**		**1.6**	
Children	12,464	12,647	12,764	12,999	13,180	**13,380**		**1.5**	
Food Stamp Information									
Coupon Value	2,449,272	2,453,887	2,453,571	2,517,518	2,611,453	**2,612,980**		**0.1**	
Recipients	53,480	52,402	52,482	53,539	55,105	**55,334**		**0.4**	
Medicaid Information									
Claims									
Payments									
GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY									
Airline Cargo (Tons)									
Inbound	91.5	104.9	88.7	83.1	90.3	**90.2**	−2.1	**−0.1**	5.5
Outbound	42.2	38.0	36.6	37.1	37.7	**45.2**	52.2	**19.9**	11.0
Airline Passenger Boardings (000)	24.5	23.5	23.5	22.5					
Beer Sales Information									
Cases Sold	431,519	302,656	341,944	412,833					
Taxes	47,467	33,293	37,614	45,412					
Classified Advertisement Lineage (000)	1290.0	1167.5	1240.4	1270.1	1449.9	**1506.6**	28.4	**3.9**	15.6
Classified Advertisement Count (000)	100.1	94.7	99.9	101.9	111.3	**110.9**	14.1	**−0.4**	10.8
Coal Exports ((000 Tons))									
Telephone Lines (000)		237.4	238.5	239.6	240.5	**241.2**		**0.3**	
Total Mortgage Loans Closed ($ Million)	30.8	17.0	15.1	20.8	26.9				
BATON ROUGE PORT ACTIVITY									
Port Commodity Report (Net Tons)									
Forest Industry Products						**25,223**			
Petroleum Industry Products						**209**			
Agricultural Industries									
Ores, Earths, etc.						**220**			
Heavy Lift Cargo						**400**			
Chemicals and Products						**1,049**			
Metals and Products						**4,000**			
Miscellaneous Cargos						**42**			
Grand Total						**31,143**			
Net Tonnage Summary By Facility									
Cargo Docks			17,780	51,056		**31,143**			
Barge Terminal			8,230	19,276		**12,195**			
Molasses Terminal			6,540	21,207		**5,894**			
Petroleum Terminal			103,144	159,634		**159,276**			
MS Bulk Facility			3,528	29,043		**20,031**			
Grand Total			139,222	280,216		**228,539**			
VITAL STATISTICS									
Births	756	801							
Deaths	285	296							
REVENUE COLLECTIONS									
Retail Sales Tax – State	6,768,526	7,306,373	8,807,767	5,995,880	6,220,230				

Economic Indicators: LOUISIANA METROPOLITAN AREAS

LAFAYETTE AREA

							Percent Change		
							Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
	Nov 83	Dec 83	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	**Apr 84**	Same Month Prior Year	**Prior Month**	
EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS									
Total Civilian Labor Force (000)	103.3	94.8	95.3	96.0	96.4	**96.4**	−0.4	**0.0**	0.5
Total Employed (000)	95.5	88.0	88.5	89.6	90.6	**90.8**	2.0	**0.2**	−0.8
Total Unemployed (000)	7.8	6.8	6.8	6.4	5.8	**5.6**	−28.2	−3.4	19.7
Unemployment Rate	7.6	7.1	7.1	6.7	6.1	**5.8**	−28.4	−4.9	19.2
CONSTRUCTION									
Highway Construction Contracts ($ Million)	14.11	14.11	14.11	14.11	20.10	**19.76**		−1.69	
Value Of Construction Contracts ($Million)									
Residential	9.2	18.4	13.9	8.4	10.3				
Nonresidential	2.5	1.8	3.1	13.8	2.5				
Number Of Construction Contracts	233	538	261	173	134				
WELFARE ACTIVITY									
Aid To Dependent Children									
Amount Paid	189,418	197,975	201,609	203,454	208,861	**210,893**			
Children	2,540	2,639	2,696	2,713	2,790	**2,810**			
Food Stamp Information									
Coupon Value	536,293	532,016	534,450	562,023	578,425	**577,999**			
Recipients	12,124	11,784	11,892	12,391	12,802	**12,911**			
Medicaid Information									
Claims									
Payments									
GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY									
Airline Cargo (Tons)	21	13	14	17	17				
Airline Passenger Boardings (000)	7.0	7.0	8.0	8.0	9.0				
Beer Sales Information									
Cases Sold	188,934	176,795	133,158	177,919					
Taxes	20,783	19,448	14,647	19,571					
Telephone Lines (000)		157.2	157.4	157.8	158.1	**158.2**		**0.1**	
Total Mortgage Loans Closed ($ Million)	22.1	9.3	10.0	6.4	9.4				
VITAL STATISTICS									
Births	276	213							
Deaths	74	89							
REVENUE COLLECTIONS									
Retail Sales Tax — State	3,152,235	3,145,881	4,337,235	3,033,640	3,088,381				

NEW CARS & TRUCK SALES

LAFAYETTE

													Percent Change		
													Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	Dec 83	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	**Apr 84**	Same Month Prior Year	Prior Month	
New Car Sales															
Buick	42	55	34	50	58	39	56	38	37	58	56	**48**	11.6	−14.3	
Cadillac	26	28	33	29	36	26	37	22	28	37	19	**29**	20.8	**52.6**	
Chevrolet	79	74	56	92	71	67	80	77	84	85	104	**109**	87.9	**4.8**	
Chrysler	16	31	26	19	23	24	16	22	27	27	31	**13**	−48.0	−58.1	
Datsun	53	59	49	77	66	63	41	56	66	62	42	**44**	−35.3	**4.8**	
Dodge	14	11	15	23	16	13	20	11	15	18	18	**24**	84.6	**33.3**	
Ford	108	75	76	72	40	85	80	29	143	73	101	**72**	20.0	−28.7	
Honda	9	18	23	20	22	19	19	24	21	36	19	**34**	100.0	**78.9**	
Lincoln	10	10	15	20	26	14	13	18	7	13	22	**20**		−9.1	
Mazda	14	36	22	35	22	31	31	16	16	25	22	**18**	−25.0	−18.2	
Mercury	31	31	29	22	26	22	19	25	28	30	31	**25**	−16.7	−19.4	
Oldsmobile	59	67	37	66	56	71	71	56	52	51	59	**72**	44.0	**22.0**	
Plymouth	8	6	5	8	7	6	30	12	13	25	10	**4**	−20.0	−60.0	
Pontiac	37	35	47	35	43	43	39	42	59	42	63	**69**	86.5	**9.5**	
Renault	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	**0**	86.5	9.5	
Toyota	27	29	28	25	23	32	24	16	26	26	23	**23**	4.5		
Volkswagen	8	14	10	10	11	4	14	13	13	20	1	**25**	78.6	**2400.0**	
Volvo	13	14	15	15	12	10	11	14	12	9	20	**23**	155.6	**15.0**	
Other	37	45	46	41	45	28	40	48	33	51	21	**62**	37.8	**195.2**	
Total Car Sales	591	638	566	659	603	597	641	539	680	688	662	**714**	26.6	**7.9**	
New Truck Sales															
Chevrolet	105	91	86	91	91	126	101	93	92	90	115	**123**	53.7	**7.0**	
Datsun	17	23	23	23	22	19	7	19	16	42	16	**27**	50.0	**68.8**	
Dodge	33	37	18	24	23	34	33	29	46	50	44	**61**	134.6	**38.6**	
Ford	83	78	52	76	84	90	92	46	135	112	83	**86**	50.9	**3.6**	
GMC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	**0**	50.9	**3.6**	
Mazda	8	18	12	17	15	18	16	17	13	29	22	**10**	66.7	−54.5	
Toyota	9	13	9	8	22	13	7	6	11	15	19	**18**	38.5	−5.3	
Other	3	10	3	6	4	1	11	4	10	13	21	**19**	11.8	−9.5	
Total Truck Sales	258	270	203	245	261	301	267	214	323	351	320	**344**	**58.5**	**7.5**	

Economic Indicators: LOUISIANA METROPOLITAN AREAS

ALEXANDRIA AREA

	Nov 83	Dec 83	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	**Apr 84**	Latest Month: Same Month Prior Year	Latest Month: **Prior Month**	Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS									
Total Civilian Labor Force (000)	77.9	76.3	76.6	77.0	76.8	**77.3**	0.9	**0.7**	2.7
Total Employed (000)	70.2	68.6	68.4	69.0	69.6	**70.2**	4.5	**0.9**	4.3
Total Unemployed (000)	7.7	7.7	8.2	8.0	7.2	**7.1**	−24.5	−1.4	−8.7
Unemployment Rate	9.9	10.2	10.8	10.4	9.4	**9.1**	−26.0	−3.2	−10.8
CONSTRUCTION									
Highway Construction Contracts ($ Million)	72.66			69.17	69.17	**69.73**			
Value Of Construction Contracts ($Million)									
Residential	3.0	7.5	2.1	3.7	5.0				
Nonresidential	2.6	1.0	2.0	4.3	0.9				
Number Of Construction Contracts	64	161	40	59	73				
WELFARE ACTIVITY									
Aid To Dependent Children									
Amount Paid	28,446	28,552	28,289	28,218	27,638	**27,895**		**1.0**	
Children	370	368	369	457	368	**368**		**0.0**	
Food Stamp Information									
Coupon Value	839,268	829,015	845,208	877,871	898,611	**891,936**		−0.7	
Recipients	20,107	19,221	19,361	20,101	20,558	**20,623**		**0.3**	
Medicaid Information									
Claims									
Payments									
GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY									
Airline Cargo (Tons)	48	11	9	10	5				
Airline Passenger Boardings (000)	3.0	3.6	3.6	3.3	3.7				
Beer Sales Information									
Cases Sold	104,141	99,083	83,676	103,459					
Taxes	11,455	10,899	9,205	11,380					
Telephone Lines (000)		98.1	98.0	98.5	98.5	**98.6**		**0.1**	
VITAL STATISTICS									
Births	237	197							
Deaths	113	107							
REVENUE COLLECTIONS									
Retail Sales Tax — State	1,206,788	213,081	1,395,785	1,001,870	1,035,275				

NEW CARS & TRUCKS SALES

	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	Dec 83	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	**Apr 84**		
New Car Sales														
Buick	33	40	22	43	38	32	38	25	29	24	39	**44**	25.7	**12.8**
Cadillac	11	16	13	10	10	7	8	14	8	7	15	**7**	−66.7	−53.3
Chevrolet	54	71	38	41	35	49	43	44	72	52	55	**71**	97.2	**29.1**
Chrysler	7	4	12	10	6	5	4	3	3	9	3	**6**		**100.0**
Datsun	36	26	17	26	33	23	25	20	22	22	17	**15**	−48.3	−11.8
Dodge	8	9	7	7	5	5	7	5	11	7	9	**9**	28.6	
Ford	48	70	41	56	39	59	51	50	56	65	54	**36**	−28.0	−33.3
Honda	13	14	12	23	14	16	27	15	26	28	26	**25**	257.1	−3.8
Lincoln	14	12	8	10	13	7	10	7	8	3	8	**5**	150.0	−37.5
Mazda	24	16	15	12	18	17	13	9	12	11	8	**11**	−45.0	**37.5**
Mercury	6	11	3	7	13	12	25	11	14	14	28	**30**	233.3	**7.1**
Oldsmobile	72	92	96	129	74	64	98	57	81	75	93	**59**	−21.3	−36.6
Plymouth	2	1	2	14	9	5	4	12	3	8	5	**4**		−20.0
Pontiac	43	44	30	35	39	43	34	28	33	36	36	**32**	88.2	−11.1
Renault	0	2	2	5	0	2	0	2	1	8	8	**6**	500.0	−25.0
Toyota	24	22	15	26	11	18	9	12	13	19	6	**15**		**150.0**
Volkswagen	2	0	0	0	3	1	5	3	2	2	1	**1**	−66.7	
Volvo	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	**0**	−66.7	
Other	33	31	12	27	11	32	12	9	9	21	10	**14**	−22.2	**40.0**
Total Car Sales	430	481	345	481	371	397	413	326	403	411	421	**390**	9.9	−7.4
New Truck Sales														
Chevrolet	57	65	57	47	46	66	66	72	48	52	53	**70**	25.0	**32.1**
Datsun	6	7	13	11	8	12	4	7	10	18	8	**13**	−7.1	**62.5**
Dodge	15	18	18	27	16	17	17	16	34	34	31	**30**	50.0	−3.2
Ford	90	95	59	82	75	109	77	114	85	94	87	**81**		−6.9
GMC	13	13	14	15	14	16	19	18	15	8	13	**14**	16.7	**7.7**
Mazda	6	7	8	20	7	16	15	9	8	12	18	**2**	−83.3	−88.9
Toyota	17	16	10	14	7	8	6	5	17	11	9	**14**	55.6	**55.6**
Other	15	21	9	13	14	22	17	21	14	14	18	**22**	22.2	**22.2**
Total Truck Sales	219	242	188	229	187	266	221	262	231	243	237	**246**	10.8	**3.8**

Economic Indicators: LOUISIANA METROPOLITAN AREAS

LAKE CHARLES AREA

	Nov 83	Dec 83	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	Apr 84	Percent Change: Latest Month: Same Month Prior Year	Percent Change: Latest Month: Prior Month	Percent Change: Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS									
Total Civilian Labor Force (000)	77.0	77.9	76.7	76.1	75.9	**75.7**	−3.2	−0.3	−1.0
Total Employed (000)	65.4	66.0	65.1	65.2	65.5	**65.8**	−2.8	**0.5**	−1.2
Total Unemployed (000)	11.6	11.0	11.6	10.9	10.4	**9.9**	−5.7	−4.8	−0.2
Unemployment Rate	15.1	14.3	15.2	14.4	13.7	**13.1**	−2.2	−4.4	0.7
CONSTRUCTION									
Highway Construction Contracts ($ Million)	13.26	0.00	0.00	12.28	10.64	**8.76**	0.00	−17.67	0.00
Value Of Construction Contracts ($ Million)									
Residential	3.3	5.1	3.8	2.4	3.7	**0.0**	−14.0	**54.2**	8.3
Nonresidential	2.1	11.3	5.0	4.9	3.4	**0.0**	17.2	−30.6	−89.2
Number Of Construction Contracts	73	69	44	47	86	**0**	−9.5	**83.0**	7.8
WELFARE ACTIVITY									
Aid To Dependent Children									
Amount Paid	298,667	305,299	310,227	312,155	321,955	**326,930**		**1.5**	
Children	3,724	3,832	3,927	3,938	4,055	**4,099**		**0.1**	
Food Stamp Information									
Coupon Value	879,856	879,983	898,696	921,561	992,393	**1,018,337**		**2.6**	
Recipients	19,248	18,910	19,402	20,114	21,238	**21,765**		**2.5**	
Medicaid Information									
Claims									
Payments									
GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY									
Beer Sales Information									
Cases Sold	19,248	18,910	19,402	20,114					
Taxes	17,145	15,785	13,393	15,791					
Airline Cargo (Tons)									
Airline Passenger Boardings (000)									
Telephone Lines (000)		117.6	117.5	117.7	117.8	**118.0**		**0.2**	
LAKE CHARLES PORT ACTIVITY									
Port Shipments (000 Tons)									
Imports						**151.6**			
Exports						**296.3**			
Private Facilities (000 Tons)									
Imports						**654.3**			
Exports						**419.7**			
VITAL STATISTICS									
Births	262	276							
Deaths	108	127							
REVENUE COLLECTIONS									
Retail Sales Tax — State	1,868,422	1,946,451	2,235,490	1,585,443	1,676,471				

NEW CARS & TRUCKS SALES

	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	Dec 83	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	Apr 84		
New Car Sales														
Buick	48	49	42	41	54	47	37	52	39	74	54	**52**	20.9	−3.7
Cadillac	14	17	11	9	15	5	10	16	14	13	8	**6**	−68.4	−25.0
Chevrolet	94	95	70	75	86	78	78	95	84	59	97	**109**	45.3	**12.4**
Chrysler	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	**0**	45.3	**12.4**
Datsun	50	58	46	58	46	50	40	44	58	46	32	**41**	−14.6	**28.1**
Dodge	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	**0**	−14.6	**28.1**
Ford	61	66	61	54	46	63	41	51	49	71	76	**74**	57.4	−2.6
Honda	10	11	13	18	13	17	28	12	27	17	32	**22**	100.0	−31.3
Lincoln	10	1	12	11	26	18	12	7	3	7	13	**16**	45.5	**23.1**
Mazda	8	6	4	9	9	13	4	5	3	6	6	**5**	−16.7	−16.7
Mercury	22	26	28	13	24	28	22	23	16	23	31	**22**	4.8	−29.0
Oldsmobile	75	84	71	72	89	80	63	65	46	53	64	**65**		**1.6**
Plymouth	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	**0**		**1.6**
Pontiac	52	50	82	61	62	67	68	42	73	70	87	**58**	31.8	−33.3
Renault	4	4	2	2	4	3	6	1	11	2	12	**6**	20.0	−50.0
Toyota	23	23	19	31	20	11	23	15	15	14	9	**17**	41.7	**88.9**
Volkswagen	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	**0**	41.7	**88.9**
Volvo	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	**0**	41.7	**88.9**
Other	16	7	11	8	16	7	9	8	14	12	6	**11**	−42.1	**83.3**
Total Car Sales	487	497	472	462	510	487	441	436	452	467	527	**504**	18.3	−4.4
New Truck Sales														
Chevrolet	81	89	82	95	86	93	90	78	95	94	101	**97**	27.6	−4.0
Datsun	10	24	27	23	19	22	12	12	15	44	36	**17**	41.7	−52.8
Dodge	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	**1**	41.7	−52.8
Ford	80	85	81	91	76	91	74	119	89	83	89	**100**	23.5	**12.4**
GMC	67	55	66	61	41	90	71	52	52	49	64	**62**	59.0	−3.1
Mazda	3	4	2	6	4	4	3	6	2	5	10	**2**	−50.0	−80.0
Toyota	10	11	10	14	8	8	5	9	7	11	10	**11**	266.7	**10.0**
Other	10	9	12	11	18	15	9	16	23	13	10	**14**	−6.7	**40.0**
Total Truck Sales	261	277	280	301	252	323	264	292	283	299	320	**304**	32.2	−5.0

SHREVEPORT AREA

							Percent Change		
							Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
	Nov 83	Dec 83	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	**Apr 84**	Same Month Prior Year	**Prior Month**	
EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS									
Total Civilian Labor Force (000)	168.8	169.2	167.8	168.3	169.5	**170.5**	0.5	**0.6**	1.7
Total Employed (000)	151.1	152.8	151.7	153.4	156.0	**157.6**	5.4	**1.0**	2.0
Total Unemployed (000)	17.7	16.4	16.1	14.9	13.5	**12.9**	−35.8	**−4.4**	−5.0
Unemployment Rate	10.5	9.7	9.6	8.9	8.0	**7.6**	−35.6	**−5.0**	−6.3
Average Weekly Manufacturing Earnings	382.00	407.54	406.19	415.75	410.31	**410.88**	11.73	**0.14**	12.76
Average Weekly Manufacturing Hours	40.0	41.0	42.4	41.7	42.3	**42.8**	8.4	**1.2**	2.1
CONSTRUCTION									
Highway Construction Contracts ($ Million)	95.30	12.45	12.45	94.71	94.83	**94.92**	0.00	**0.09**	
Value Of Construction Contracts ($Million)									
Residential	24.2	28.9	10.5	30.9	18.7				
Nonresidential	13.7	3.9	24.0	6.1	6.8				
Number Of Construction Contracts	617	766	331	887	531				
WELFARE ACTIVITY									
Aid To Dependent Children									
Amount Paid	826,442	846,662	864,545	879,103	888,978	**896,821**		**0.9**	
Children	10,868	11,093	11,284	11,469	11,584	**11,689**		**0.9**	
Food Stamp Information									
Coupon Value	1,877,907	1,914,623	1,941,033	1,968,551	2,024,018	**2,012,785**		−0.6	
Recipients	42,881	42,760	43,207	44,122	44,974	**45,008**		**0.1**	
Medicaid Information									
Claims									
Payments									
GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY									
Airline Cargo (Tons)	870	964	935	828	982				
Airline Passenger Boardings (000)	26.0	27.0	25.0	24.0	27.0	**27.0**	−23.3	**0.0**	−9.2
Beer Sales Information									
Cases Sold	331,637	274,449	291,149	336,441					
Taxes	36,480	30,190	32,026	37,009					
Telephone Lines (000)		188.6	188.7	189.2	189.8	**190.5**		**0.4**	
Total Mortgage Loans Closed ($ Million)	7.9	11.3	3.5	1.4	9.6				
VITAL STATISTICS									
Births	610	541							
Deaths	293	305							
REVENUE COLLECTIONS									
Retail Sales Tax – State	4,404,006	4,307,184	5,336,106	3,904,949	3,973,289				

NEW CARS & TRUCK SALES

	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	Dec 83	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	**Apr 84**		
New Car Sales														
Buick	79	91	93	119	76	105	82	64	105	74	76	**112**	51.4	**47.4**
Cadillac	40	65	50	39	58	47	34	53	47	49	43	**42**	−33.3	−2.3
Chevrolet	174	165	125	177	137	162	161	144	191	162	222	**174**	14.5	−21.6
Chrysler	53	45	40	54	37	29	25	24	30	31	39	**40**	2.6	**2.6**
Datsun	38	51	41	56	42	24	41	33	54	40	32	**34**	−37.0	**6.3**
Dodge	46	36	32	28	39	20	27	24	25	25	22	**33**	−13.2	**50.0**
Ford	124	122	101	147	131	404	220	149	226	203	146	**166**	−0.6	**13.7**
Honda	28	30	16	41	26	16	27	23	37	40	32	**48**	71.4	**50.0**
Lincoln	35	33	34	47	27	34	35	14	49	76	95	**33**	10.0	−65.3
Mazda	31	29	28	27	28	25	19	21	15	18	24	**21**	31.3	−12.5
Mercury	67	63	59	73	46	103	110	56	91	90	96	**82**	32.3	−14.6
Oldsmobile	171	201	137	193	200	175	155	175	194	237	231	**162**	−5.8	−29.9
Plymouth	18	15	18	16	9	15	12	14	14	15	20	**21**	5.0	**5.0**
Pontiac	67	104	85	93	86	121	123	77	109	83	108	**89**	8.5	−17.6
Renault	5	10	15	23	21	15	9	24	12	29	16	**16**	77.8	
Toyota	62	62	72	64	44	60	42	51	48	37	15	**34**	−26.1	**126.7**
Volkswagen	6	7	6	12	6	5	6	15	8	6	10	**15**	87.5	**50.0**
Volvo	10	6	12	12	8	5	5	4	5	12	8	**3**	−50.0	−62.5
Other	69	58	64	61	49	47	38	43	62	43	44	**62**	3.3	**40.9**
Total Car Sales	1,123	1,193	1,028	1,282	1,070	1,412	1,171	1,008	1,322	1,270	1,279	**1,187**	5.4	−7.2
New Truck Sales														
Chevrolet	140	244	148	170	141	163	154	149	160	123	139	**180**	16.9	**29.5**
Datsun	13	12	6	17	13	11	10	13	7	35	14	**11**	−15.4	−21.4
Dodge	47	54	44	52	44	44	46	55	49	60	65	**71**	36.5	**9.2**
Ford	145	160	152	145	113	143	189	149	161	183	210	**198**	7.6	−5.7
GMC	18	28	24	24	18	22	25	22	30	29	21	**29**	20.8	**38.1**
Mazda	16	15	19	13	8	5	9	18	14	24	19	**19**	18.8	
Toyota	25	10	15	17	24	11	16	16	19	21	7	**22**	120.0	**214.3**
Other	26	40	41	48	52	42	38	43	57	53	94	**53**		−43.6
Total Truck Sales	430	563	449	486	413	441	487	465	497	528	569	**583**	15.2	**2.5**

Economic Indicators: LOUISIANA METROPOLITAN AREAS

MONROE AREA

							Percent Change		
							Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
	Nov 83	Dec 83	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	**Apr 84**	Same Month Prior Year	**Prior Month**	
EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS									
Total Civilian Labor Force (000)	58.4	58.7	58.5	58.8	57.6	**58.7**	−3.0	**1.9**	−0.5
Total Employed (000)	52.3	52.8	52.5	53.0	52.5	**53.7**	0.2	**2.3**	1.4
Total Unemployed (000)	6.1	5.9	6.0	5.8	5.1	**5.0**	−27.5	−2.0	−13.7
Unemployment Rate	10.6	10.0	10.3	9.9	8.9	**8.5**	−25.4	−4.5	−12.9
CONSTRUCTION									
Highway Construction Contracts ($ Million)	13.21			21.80	21.63	**21.63**		**0.00**	
Value Of Construction Contracts ($Million)									
Residential	2.8	1.7	3.0	3.2	3.5				
Nonresidential	3.2	1.8	1.4	1.0	4.0				
Number Of Construction Contracts	71	28	68	67	63				
WELFARE ACTIVITY									
Aid To Dependent Children									
Amount Paid	527,442	526,043	534,001	540,575	549,695	**556,035**		**1.2**	
Children	7,110	7,077	7,166	7,272	7,363	**7,488**		**1.7**	
Food Stamp Information									
Coupon Value	1,272,086	1,256,354	1,285,054	1,309,326	1,341,978	**1,333,421**		−0.6	
Recipients	29,466	28,581	28,900	29,899	30,290	**30,215**		−0.2	
Medicaid Information									
Claims									
Payments									
GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY									
Airline Cargo (Tons)	24	13	19	21	19				
Airline Passenger Boardings (000)	8.0	8.0	8.0	7.0	8.0				
Beer Sales Information									
Cases Sold	132,316	101,572	107,903	124,223					
Taxed Amount	14,555	11,173	11,869	13,664					
Telephone Lines (000)		128.1	128.3	128.5	128.7	**128.9**		**0.2**	
Total Mortgage Loans Closed ($ Million)	11.7	26.1	10.7	32.7	13.8				
VITAL STATISTICS									
Births	223	143							
Deaths	105	121							
REVENUE COLLECTIONS									
Retail Sales Tax − State	1,398,812	2,071,527	2,606,162	1,709,894	1,745,362				

NEW CARS & TRUCKS SALES

MONROE

													Percent Change		
													Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	Dec 83	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	**Apr 84**	Same Month Prior Year	Prior Month	
New Car Sales															
Buick	66	76	60	79	45	62	49	56	50	51	41	**61**	−1.6	**48.8**	
Cadillac	25	21	21	20	13	19	11	25	30	12	15	**22**	10.0	**46.7**	
Chevrolet	48	70	58	60	47	47	45	43	71	55	50	**45**	−29.7	−10.0	
Chrysler	12	14	8	12	8	6	7	14	7	4	7	**9**	−25.0	**28.6**	
Datsun	16	54	26	30	21	39	14	20	31	15	13	**21**	−34.4	**61.5**	
Dodge	3	7	8	3	4	5	7	10	8	14	12	**9**	50.0	−25.0	
Ford	30	55	37	40	37	53	69	46	46	62	66	**62**	34.8	−6.1	
Honda	21	26	17	19	18	25	24	21	24	27	22	**35**	16.7	**59.1**	
Lincoln	13	13	16	19	19	20	12	11	8	9	9	**14**	133.3	**55.6**	
Mazda	18	30	17	27	35	23	16	22	16	23	12	**22**	46.7	**83.3**	
Mercury	20	31	26	34	26	24	30	16	25	37	16	**26**		**62.5**	
Oldsmobile	73	105	62	78	93	87	77	97	72	76	110	**95**	9.2	−13.6	
Plymouth	2	4	2	2	0	3	4	1	3	2	7	**1**	−50.0	−85.7	
Pontiac	22	15	18	20	20	31	27	21	35	20	27	**34**	25.9	**25.9**	
Renault	4	11	8	5	3	4	1	5	0	2	1	**3**		**200.0**	
Toyota	18	24	23	25	21	19	30	15	18	11	18	**18**	−33.3		
Volkswagen	0	3	1	4	1	0	0	2	5	3	3	**3**	−40.0		
Volvo	10	4	7	8	5	9	10	8	6	5	10	**9**	125.0	−10.0	
Other	9	17	9	9	7	9	6	13	28	24	13	**19**	280.0	**46.2**	
Total Car Sales	410	580	424	494	423	485	439	446	483	452	452	**508**	6.1	**12.4**	
New Truck Sales															
Chevrolet	66	75	72	71	52	75	57	59	71	64	54	**57**	−30.5	**5.6**	
Datsun	8	11	10	17	18	13	3	10	7	18	17	**15**	114.3	−11.8	
Dodge	9	8	7	6	3	16	5	16	17	12	16	**20**	81.8	**25.0**	
Ford	63	83	38	49	63	61	97	64	64	58	87	**90**	28.6	**3.4**	
GMC	30	33	46	34	25	27	33	54	29	37	36	**29**	−27.5	−19.4	
Mazda	16	22	11	31	23	14	22	13	31	41	12	**27**	−12.9	**125.0**	
Toyota	10	14	11	14	14	13	12	10	20	8	12	**19**	171.4	**58.3**	
Other	12	35	15	29	19	16	43	41	29	21	37	**21**	−12.5	−43.2	
Total Truck Sales	214	281	210	251	217	235	272	267	268	259	271	**278**	2.2	**2.6**	

Economic Indicators: LOUISIANA METROPOLITAN AREAS

HOUMA/THIBODAUX AREA

							Percent Change		
							Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
	Nov 83	Dec 83	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	**Apr 84**	Same Month Prior Year	**Prior Month**	
CONSTRUCTION									
Highway Construction Contracts ($ Million)	19.93			33.31	33.31	**34.48**		**3.51**	
Value Of Construction Contracts ($Million)									
Residential			2.5	4.1	6.9				
Nonresidential			1.6	2.4	0.1				
Number Of Construction Contracts			45	67	163				
WELFARE ACTIVITY									
Aid To Dependent Children									
Amount Paid	311,238	312,688	312,807	322,896	333,432	**345,025**		**3.5**	
Children	3,971	3,988	4,045	4,132	4,257	**4,371**		**2.7**	
Food Stamp Information									
Coupon Value	1,044,732	1,013,288	1,027,110	1,067,771	1,125,519	**1,142,696**		**1.5**	
Recipients	22,964	22,251	22,456	23,398	24,388	**24,623**		**1.0**	
Medicaid Information									
Claims									
Payments									
GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY									
Beer Sales Information									
Cases Sold	168,022	181,371	137,453	179,304					
Taxes	18,482	19,951	15,120	19,724					
VITAL STATISTICS									
Births	333	258							
Deaths	76	111							
REVENUE COLLECTIONS									
Retail Sales Tax - State	1,275,106	1,361,881	1,706,779	816,372	1,320,903				

NEW CARS & TRUCKS SALES

HOUMA

													Percent Change		
													Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior
	May 83	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	Dec 83	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	**Apr 84**	Same Month Prior Year	Prior Month	12 Months
New Car Sales															
Buick	68	56	52	53	43	48	40	47	37	41	60	**71**	9.2	**18.3**	
Cadillac	11	19	13	7	11	11	15	18	11	15	6	**16**	23.1	**166.7**	
Chevrolet	72	70	58	58	50	83	38	42	67	59	78	**79**	46.3	**1.3**	
Chrysler	11	19	16	10	18	7	10	17	12	14	11	**12**	−7.7	**9.1**	
Datsun	27	36	36	30	36	17	23	21	23	24	22	**21**	−52.3	−4.5	
Dodge	53	33	80	13	11	30	15	11	11	16	12	**11**	−47.6	−8.3	
Ford	55	59	42	31	47	46	48	49	43	60	56	**53**	43.2	−5.4	
Honda	15	19	17	10	13	13	14	19	27	21	27	**32**	146.2	**18.5**	
Lincoln	11	11	8	11	11	6	9	7	8	6	7	**9**	50.0	**28.6**	
Mazda	4	3	6	7	6	4	3	6	3	0	7	**5**	−28.6	−28.6	
Mercury	19	30	24	18	18	29	24	16	22	26	18	**24**	14.3	**33.3**	
Oldsmobile	54	79	44	86	54	63	57	79	68	77	81	**59**	−9.2	−27.2	
Plymouth	11	10	7	12	9	9	5	10	9	6	14	**8**	−20.0	−42.9	
Pontiac	34	60	25	29	32	25	37	41	30	30	34	**35**	34.6	**2.9**	
Renault	0	1	1	0	3	3	3	2	3	3	3	**3**	50.0		
Toyota	18	26	22	26	16	22	22	28	26	33	12	**16**		**33.3**	
Other	1	1	0	0	0	8	6	14	6	10	9	**10**	900.0	**11.1**	
Total Car Sales	464	532	451	401	378	424	369	427	406	441	457	**464**	12.1	**1.5**	
New Truck Sales															
Chevrolet	54	44	76	60	48	59	50	57	68	61	61	**55**	−14.1	−9.8	
Datsun	16	17	18	16	22	15	10	11	10	19	21	**12**	9.1	−42.9	
Dodge	72	58	43	46	47	36	35	44	41	69	59	**71**	54.3	**20.3**	
Ford	82	71	59	57	73	63	65	55	65	68	64	**70**	−5.4	**9.4**	
GMC	32	35	34	27	21	21	25	35	35	22	26	**33**	−2.9	**26.9**	
Mazda	1	3	2	2	0	6	4	2	3	4	3	**5**	400.0	**66.7**	
Toyota	5	6	5	9	6	3	7	11	12	18	13	**11**	120.0	−15.4	
Other	1	8	10	9	12	13	4	10	16	15	13	**12**	1100.0	−7.7	
Total Truck Sales	263	242	247	226	229	216	200	225	250	276	260	**269**	14.0	**3.5**	

Louisiana Tourist Traffic Data

Visitors To Selected Tourist Attractions

	Nov 83	Dec 83	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	**Apr 84**	Percent Change: Latest Month: Same Month Prior Year	Percent Change: Latest Month: **Prior Month**	Percent Change: Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
Audubon State Commemorative Area	5,859	10,717	15,024	5,432	10,096	**11,068**	19.2	**9.6**	2.6
Camp Moore State Commemorative Area	424	287	213	440	580	**1,306**	332.5	**125.2**	27.0
Chemin-A-Haut State Park	2,063	1,602	1,376	1,994	2,896	**3,619**	−3.5	**25.0**	3.7
Chicot State Park	21,660	17,070	18,845	25,000	49,349	**57,191**	117.6	**15.9**	−17.9
Cypremort Point State Park	3,066	1,058	1,215	1,918	4,653	**8,542**	−14.7	**83.6**	−23.7
Edward Douglass White Memorial	23	22	30	130	193	**143**	8.3	−25.9	−24.5
Fairview-Riverside State Park	11,262	6,553	9,493	15,182	19,881	**24,478**	201.9	**23.1**	−15.8
Fontainbleau State Park	16,478	12,840	15,248	19,772	28,474	**29,584**	30.1	**3.9**	25.3
Fort Jesup State Commemorative Area	5,012	5,906	3,074	3,430	4,248	**6,442**	17.7	**51.6**	−21.3
Fort Pike State Commemorative Area	21,602	11,976	11,584	16,472	29,836	**32,820**	144.9	**9.8**	174.6
Fort St. Jean Baptiste	1,346	1,278	606	965	1,716	**2,498**	86.7	**45.6**	17.4
Grand Isle State Park	5,938	3,898			370	**345**	−98.3	−6.8	0.0
Hodges Gardens	1,056	502	191	400	6,178		−32.5	**1444.5**	−12.0
Indian Creek Recreational Area	2,432	359	1,245	3,170	9,022		7.3	**184.6**	4.1
Lake Bistineau State Park	4,097	2,163	3,115	4,834	8,371	**13,777**	30.0	**64.6**	5.2
Lake Bruin State Park	2,578	2,126	2,348	2,584	5,132	**7,986**	−83.1	**55.6**	−66.5
Lake Claiborne State Park	6,776	3,090	3,030	4,196	7,784	**12,078**	53.3	**55.2**	224.4
Lake D'Arbonne State Park	1,509	939	1,244	1,932	3,123	**3,897**	43.4	**24.8**	21.7
Longfellow-Evangeline State Park	18,278	12,944	14,478	12,600	16,662	**18,784**	−24.5	**12.7**	−32.6
Los Adeas	22	76	49	32	44	**63**	125.0	**43.2**	16.6
Louisiana State Arboretum	225	112	65	176	268	**339**		**26.5**	
Louisiana State Exhibit Museum, Shreveport	26,800	12,900	10,300	23,000	44,400	**45,400**	−0.9	**2.3**	0.6
Louisiana State Fairgrounds	14,410	66,675	28,664	145,545	37,110	**154,025**	−1.4	**315.0**	7.7
Louisiana State Museum, New Orleans	5,969	3,883	3,895	5,788	6,280		−69.3	**8.5**	−39.7
Mansfield State Commemorative Area	3,085	505	1,950	2,650	3,602	**4,971**	12.4	**38.0**	0.1
Marksville State Commemorative Area	1,020	3,434	7,582	12,023	14,264	**13,910**	1044.9	−2.5	410.4
Old Arsenal Museum	3,589	1,658	2,191	3,342	5,896	**7,870**	−10.5	**33.5**	−10.7
Old State Capitol	3,886	3,082	2,989	3,082	6,909	**6,738**	−0.3	−2.5	−8.1
Plaquemine Locks	260	84	331	267	300	**289**	373.8	−3.7	198.8
Port Hudson	4,432	3,420	3,394	5,304	11,307	**9,735**	2.2	−13.9	0.0
Poverty Point State Commemorative Area	2,359	1,321	960	900	4,679	**7,828**	544.3	**67.3**	8.4
Rebel State Commemorative Area	992	1,066	1,093	1,101	1,372	**1,756**	−9.9	**28.0**	26.7
St. Bernard State Park	3,894	2,950	3,782	5,628	9,715	**9,903**	−14.2	**1.9**	−36.2
Sam Houston Jones State Park	19,302	8,829	11,360	11,821	39,279	**46,350**	7.7	**18.0**	−5.5
Winter Quarters State Commemorative Area	51	32	37	66	109	**87**	47.5	−20.2	0.0

Visitors To Tourist Information Stations

	Nov 83	Dec 83	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	**Apr 84**	Same Month Prior Year	**Prior Month**	Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
Greenwood	10,019	6,971	6,905	7,980	13,454	**10,559**	−6.6	−21.5	−2.2
Kentwood (I-55)	6,442	5,036	3,949	4,896	7,137	**6,071**	−21.3	−14.9	−15.6
Louisiana State Capitol	17,152	7,842	7,449	9,553	19,356	**27,453**	−6.4	**41.8**	−12.6
Mound Center (I-20 W)	9,430	7,374	5,964	6,262	9,936	**7,747**	−11.8	−22.0	2.4
New Orleans	8,947	3,895	4,268	6,616	10,414	**9,490**	−28.1	−8.9	−14.7
Pearl River (I-59)	72,587	54,934	45,186	39,087	48,849	**36,875**	−56.1	−24.5	75.0
St. Francisville	3,062	1,063	940	1,509	3,138	**3,445**	−10.7	**9.8**	−11.5
Slidell (I-10 W)	53,055	67,545	44,611	53,916	68,979	**43,749**	54.0	−36.6	−2.1
Toledo Bend	1,582	751	768	1,402	3,018	**2,914**	−3.9	−3.4	−4.3
Vidalia	1,261	786	925	1,114	1,964	**1,202**	−18.3	−38.8	1.0
Vinton (I-10 E)	19,494	20,752	16,226	23,564	36,009	**26,270**	31.5	−27.0	20.6

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Flash estimate (based on 1½ months data) indicate that the real GNP advanced at an annual rate of 5.7 percent during the second quarter of 1984. This gain is considerably greater than the 4 percent increase predicted by most forecasters, and is especially impressive because it follows a 9.7 percent increase in the previous quarter.

Recent monthly data suggests that the national economy will continue growing but at a more moderate pace. The Federal Reserve Board's Index of Industrial Production grew at a seasonally adjusted rate of 4/10ths of one percent in May, following a 1.1% gain in April. Retail sales grew 2/10ths of one percent in May, after advancing 3.1 percent in April. Total housing starts in May declined at a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 10 percent. Because housing starts had increased 19 percent in April, the decline in May's growth rate is not disastrous. Although rising interest rates will probably cause some reduction in new housing construction, the decline should not be precipitous.

The U.S. civilian unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted) dropped to 7.5 percent in May from the 7.8 percent level of the three previous months. The current unemployment rate is the lowest it has been in nearly three years. Civilian employment in May, was 9/10ths of one percent over the employment level of April, 1984 and 5.5% over employment in May, 1983. The U.S. Leading Economic Indicator dropped less than 1/10th of one percent in May. Revisions of earlier estimates indicate that this was the first drop in the indicator since August, 1982. It signals a slightly slower economic growth for the remainder of the year.

Prices continue to be remarkably stable. The GNP deflator index is expected to increase at an annualized rate of only 2.8 percent for the second quarter of 1984, as compared with the 3.2% annualized rate of increase in the first quarter. The Consumer Price Index increased only 2/10ths of one percent in May and the Producer Price Index has remained unchanged since March. Falling food prices were primarily responsible for the steady prices. Interest rates increased during June. The growth in the money supply in May exceeded the 4% - 8% growth target established by the Federal Reserve. This probably prompted the Fed to permit the Federal Funds rate (rate charged by banks to other banks for the use of their reserves) to increase from 10.85% in mid-June to 11.5% at the end of June. The commercial banks, expecting the Fed to slow the rate of growth of the money supply and beset with increasing demands for money, raised the prime rate from 12½ percent to 13 percent. Corporate bond rates (AAA) increased to 13.7% by the end of June. Although no one can predict future interest rates, many observers are guessing that the rates will continue to climb for two or three months (about ½ percent) and then begin falling in late summer or early fall.

The Louisiana economy continued to experience modest improvements in May. Total employment increased 8/10ths of 1 percent or 13,600 workers in May, although the unemployment rate was unchanged at 8.9%. In terms of unemployment rates, Louisiana still lags behind the economic recovery of most other states. Based on the latest available data—for April—Louisiana had the 13th highest unemployment rate among the 50 states, which was a slight deterioration of Louisiana's ranking which was 15th highest in March. Total non-agricultural wage and salary employment in Louisiana increased by 7,000 workers in May. Construction employment increased 2.3 percent over April, bringing construction employment 2.0 percent above the level of a year ago. Employment in manufacturing, trade and service also showed some improvement in May. Mining employment dropped again in May, and was 4.1 percent below the employment level of a year ago.

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Monthly Summary

Louisiana	May 1984	
Employment Statistics		
Unemployment Rate April, 1984		
1. Nebraska	4.1	
2. Connecticut	4.3	
3. Virginia	4.3	
4. New Hampshire	4.5	
5. South Dakota—	4.5	
38. LOUISIANA	8.9	
46. Washington	10.3	
47. Alabama	11.0	
48. Michigan	11.0	
49. Alaska	11.8	
50. West Virginia	14.9	
Civilian Labor Force (000)	1,930.7	1.50
Number of Unemployed (000)	171.5	-6.60
Unemployments Benefits Paid		
Number of Weeks	*$241,754*	*-21.00*
Dollar Amount Paid	*35,544,994*	*-19.40*
Average Weekly Manufacturing		
Hours	*41.9*	*1.80*
Earnings	*$422.35*	*5.60*
Number of New Claims	25,457	-12.80
Number of Exhaustions	7,521	3.40
AConstruction		
Number of Construction Contracts	3,860	42.10
Value of Construction Contracts ($ Mil)		
Residential	194.2	34.60
Non-Residential	138.7	-13.20
Non-Building	70.4	-61.30
Revenue Collections		
Severance Tax	$70,260,938	-6.70
General Sales Tax	71,183,789	2.20
Motor Vehicle Tax	10,760,096	6.90
Gasoline Tax	13,132,262	1.60
Individual Income Tax	84,169,633	67.90
Corporation Income Tax	43,851,903	-14.20
Corporation Franchise Tax	68,972,723	8.80
Tobacco Tax & Permits Tax	5,638,317	1.80
Liquor & Wine Tax	1,618,111	1.00
Beer Tax	2,876,215	-1.10
Soft Drink Tax & Permit Fees	876,216	4.00
Royalties	42,415,093	0.00
Total Revenues	379,040,083	3.20
General Business Activity		
Coal Exports (Tons)	204,160	
New Corporation	640	-18.70
Dissolutions	25	
Telephone Lines in Service	1,719,018	
Total Mortgage Loans Closed for Apr 84	255.2	
Total New Cars Sold	14,162	
Total New Trucks Sold	7,768	

International	MARCH 1984
Exports, F.A.S. Value	17,727.2
Imports, Custom Value	26,220.9
Merchandise Trade Balance	-9,043.7

United States	APRIL 1984	
Employment Statistics (000)		
Civilian Non-Institutional Population	176	1.20
Civilian Labor Force	114	1.60
Percent of the Population	64.6	
Employed	105	3.40
Employed/Population Percent	59.8	
Unemployed	9	-15.20
Unemployment Rate	7.5	
Index Numbers (1967100)		
Consumer Price Index - All Items	309.7	
Industrial Price Index - Total Index	291.5	
Producer Price Index - Finished Goods	291.5	
12 Leading Indicators	168.2	

NOTE - The percentage in the righthand columnA is the 12-month comparison.

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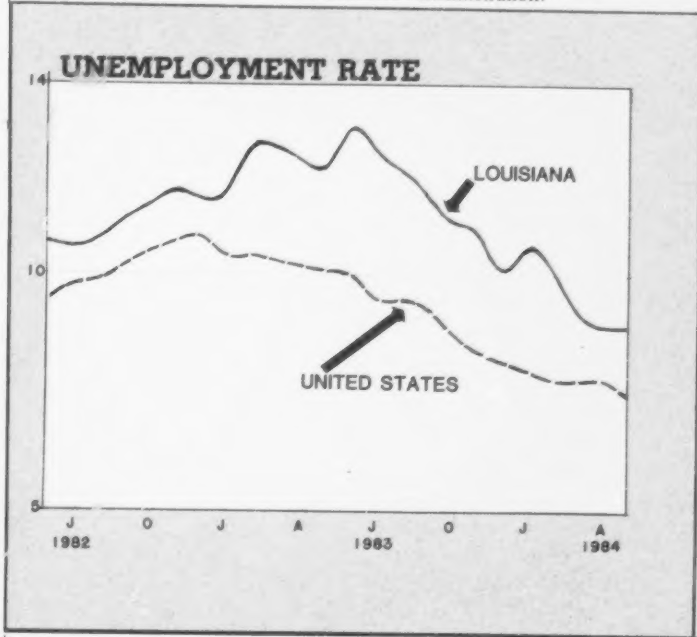

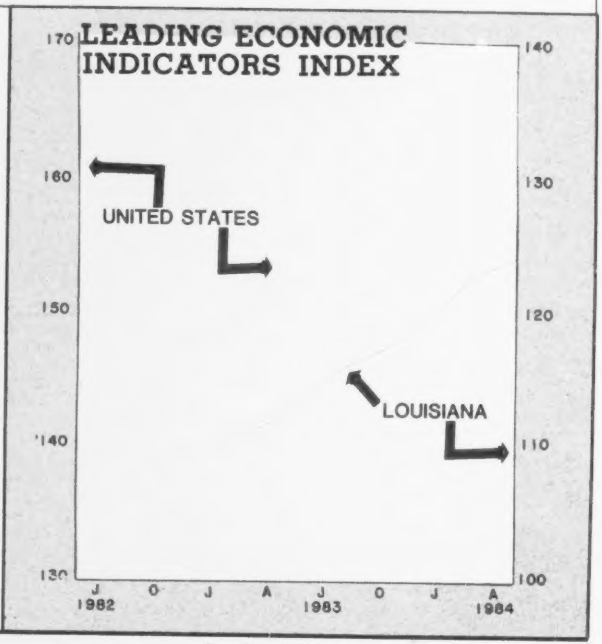

Unemployment

	Louisiana			United States		
Month	**1982**	**1983**	**1984**	**1982**	**1983**	**1984**
Jan	9.2	11.8	10.6	8.6	10.4	8.0
Feb	8.9	12.7	10.1	8.8	10.4	7.8
Mar	9.0	12.7	10.1	9.0	10.3	7.8
Apr	10.2	12.4	9.2	9.3	10.2	7.8
May	9.5	12.3	8.9	9.4	10.1	7.5
Jun	10.7	13.1		9.5	10.0	
Jul	10.6	12.6		9.8	9.5	
Aug	10.8	12.2		9.9	9.5	
Sep	11.2	11.7		10.2	9.3	
Oct	11.5	11.1		10.5	8.8	
Nov	11.8	10.9		10.7	8.4	
Dec	11.6	10.1		10.8	8.2	

Leading Indicators

Louisiana 1976 = 100			United States 1967 = 100		
1982	**1983**	**1984**	**1982**	**1983**	**1984**
110.0	109.9	120.5	135.1	145.2	164.7
109.5	110.4	121.7	135.7	147.4	167.0
109.0	110.9	122.8	134.7	150.2	167.4
108.6	111.6	123.5	136.0	152.5	168.3
108.1	112.7	124.1	136.2	154.4	168.2
107.5	113.9		135.5	157.3	
107.0	115.0		136.2	158.2	
106.8	115.8		136.1	159.0	
107.1	116.5		137.5	160.6	
107.7	117.2		138.6	163.0	
108.6	118.1		139.4	163.0	
109.3	119.3		140.9	163.8	

Louisiana Leading Economic Indicator

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Economic Indicators: LOUISIANA

Categories	Dec 83	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	Apr 84	**May 84**	Per Cent Change Latest Month Same Month Prior Year	Per Cent Change Latest Month **Prior Month**	Per Cent Change Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS									
Civilian Labor Force (000)	1891.4	1887.8	1896.0	1897.5	1916.6	**1930.7**	**0.0**	**0.7**	**1.5**
Total Unemployed (000)	195.3	200.0	192.1	175.0	171.0	**171.5**	**-27.8**	**0.3**	**-6.6**
Unemployment Rate	10.1	10.6	10.1	9.2	8.9	**8.9**	**-27.6**	**0.0**	**-7.6**
Unemployment Benefits Paid (000 Weeks)	254.8	285.0	277.7	259.3	232.8	**241.8**	**-33.1**	**3.9**	**-21.0**
Unemployment Benefits Paid ($ Mil)	38.7	42.8	41.0	38.1	34.3	**35.5**	**-36.7**	**3.5**	**-19.4**
New Claims (000)	37.8	56.0	35.1	34.7	30.9	**25.5**	**-36.7**	**-17.5**	**-12.8**
Exhaustions (000)	8.0	8.5	7.9	7.0	6.6	**7.5**	**-34.8**	**13.6**	**-3.4**
Total Number Employed (000)									
Nonagricultural	1580.7	1556.1	1562.5	1566.6	1569.2	**1574.4**	**0.6**	**0.3**	**-0.6**
Wholesale And Retail Trade	380.1	369.7	368.0	369.6	372.5	**374.4**	**1.9**	**0.5**	**1.3**
Government	320.0	314.4	320.3	319.9	319.1	**318.2**	**-0.3**	**-0.3**	**1.4**
Services	307.9	307.2	309.2	310.8	310.7	**312.9**	**2.2**	**0.7**	**1.6**
Manufacturing	178.4	174.9	175.5	177.1	178.8	**179.7**	**0.8**	**0.5**	**-4.5**
Transportation & Public Utilities	115.6	113.7	114.2	113.4	114.3	**114.7**	**-2.9**	**0.3**	**-5.2**
Construction	115.8	113.1	111.8	113.7	113.2	**114.4**	**0.8**	**1.1**	**-3.3**
Finance, Insurance, And Real Estate	83.4	83.4	83.5	83.5	83.4	**83.5**	**1.0**	**0.1**	**2.1**
Mining	79.5	79.7	80.0	78.6	77.2	**76.6**	**-4.1**	**-0.8**	**-7.3**
Average Weekly Manufacturing Hours	40.7	41.5	41.7	41.9	42.2	**41.9**	**5.0**	**-0.7**	**1.8**
Average Weekly Manufacturing Earnings	402.12	422.47	421.17	423.61	425.80	**422.35**	**7.9**	**-0.8**	**5.6**
REVENUE COLLECTIONS ($ Mil)									
Severance Tax	66.7	70.0	106.1	68.4	65.0	**76.3**	**-12.3**	**8.2**	**-6.7**
General Sales Tax	61.7	76.9	55.7	58.7	69.2	**71.2**	**15.4**	**2.9**	**2.2**
Motor Vehicle Tax	9.1	9.2	8.9	9.4	9.5	**10.8**	**22.7**	**13.7**	**6.9**
Gasoline Tax	14.1	14.0	12.6	12.1	14.0	**13.1**	**-3.0**	**-6.4**	**1.6**
Individual Income Tax	22.6	35.1	19.4	11.1	51.5	**84.2**	**166.5**	**63.5**	**67.9**
Corporation Income Tax	42.3	12.9	0.5	12.0	37.1	**43.9**	**-14.4**	**18.3**	**-14.2**
Corporation Franchise Tax	1.5	2.5	2.8	3.2	4.5	**69.0**	**17.3**	**1433.3**	**8.8**
Tobacco Tax And Permits	5.0	5.5	4.5	5.1	4.6	**5.6**	**9.8**	**21.7**	**1.8**
Alcoholic Beverages									
Liquor & Wine Tax	2.5	2.7	1.3	1.6	1.7	**1.6**	**6.7**	**-5.9**	**1.0**
Beer Tax, State	2.5	2.7	2.2	2.6	2.7	**2.9**	**3.6**	**7.4**	**-1.1**
Special Fuels	2.1	2.7	2.2	2.2	2.8	**2.4**	**9.1**	**-14.3**	**10.0**
Soft Drink Tax & Permit Fees	0.8	0.8	0.6	0.8	0.8	**0.9**	**0.0**	**12.5**	**4.0**
Parish & Municipality Beer Tax	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.4	0.4	**0.4**	**0.0**	**0.0**	**0.0**
Total Revenues	227.1	237.1	215.7	182.6	262.3	**379.0**	**16.9**	**44.5**	**3.2**
CONSTRUCTION									
Highway Construction Contracts ($ Mil)	26.56	26.56	573.02	592.51	547.11	**561.92**		**2.7**	
Value Of Construction Contracts ($ Mil)									
Residential	145.8	144.7	138.6	201.5	181.3	**194.2**	**12.9**	**7.1**	**34.6**
Nonresidential	76.8	127.0	118.3	127.1	100.8	**138.7**	**66.9**	**37.6**	**-13.2**
Nonbuilding	62.4	70.5	33.9	63.8	35.8	**70.4**	**-84.5**	**96.6**	**-61.3**
Number Of Construction Contracts	3,231	3,424	3,071	4,042	4,045	**3,860**	**5.5**	**-4.6**	**42.1**
GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY									
Beer Sales Information									
Cases Sold	3,406,707	2,919,300	3,774,506	3,716,574	4,087,416				
Taxed Amount	374,738	321,124	411,894	408,823	449,616				
Coal Exports (000 Tons)	211.9	560.5	259.3	367.5	122.0				
Corporation Filings									
Domestic Charters	981	880	1,129	470	925	**640**	-30.1	**-30.8**	-18.7
Amendments To Domestic Charters	139	73	127	44	82	**88**		**7.3**	
Notices of Dissolution	70	63	65	27	37	**60**		**62.2**	
Dissolutions	51	27	39	30	30	**25**	-53.7	**-16.7**	
Mergers or Consolidations	142	29	143	29	30	**45**		**50.0**	
Foreign Qualifications	168	126	161	42	134	**153**		**14.2**	
Amendments For Charters	21	16	25	8	17	**19**		**11.8**	
Withdrawals	35	9	21	11	10	**36**		**260.0**	
Crude Petroleum Production									
North Louisiana (000 Bbls)									
South Louisiana (000 Bbls)									
Crude Runs To Stills (Daily Avg)	1556.8								
Telephone Lines (000)	1703.5	1705.5	1709.4	1714.1	1717.6	**1719.0**		**0.1**	
Total Mortgage Loans Closed ($ Mil)	261.0	228.6	223.5	234.6	255.2				
WELFARE ACTIVITY									
Aid To Dependent Children									
Amount Paid	11,599,824	11,699,279	11,815,756	11,952,270	12,051,204	**12,085,105**		**0.3**	
Children	146,377	147,592	148,887	150,546	151,909	**152,280**		**0.2**	
Food Stamp Information									
Coupon Value	26,059,701	26,335,168	26,921,413	27,702,133	27,562,375	**26,708,300**		**-3.1**	
Recipients	586,088	589,809	604,067	617,074	616,916	**605,678**		**-1.8**	
Medicaid Information									
Claims									
Payments									
Motor Fuel Consumption (Million Gallons)									
Gasoline	186.2	178.5	162.3	189.8	178.1				
Highway Diesel	32.8	26.8	27.0	33.8	30.1				
Highway LPG	0.6		0.6	0.6	0.5				
Total Fuel Consumption	219.6	205.3	189.9	224.2	208.7				
Vital Statistics									
Births	5,731								
Deaths	3,035								

New Cars & Trucks Sales - Louisiana State

													Percent Change		
													Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	Dec 83	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	Apr 84	**May 84**	Same Prior Year	**Prior Month**	
NEW CAR SALES															
Buick	1,271	1,080	1,429	1,082	1,145	1,104	1,040	1,098	1,104	1,029	1,221	**1,279**	8.6	**4.8**	
Cadillac	473	411	432	435	402	416	478	489	431	335	448	**494**	20.8	**10.3**	
Chevrolet	2,079	1,581	1,850	1,541	1,664	1,666	1,674	1,941	1,713	2,031	1,907	**2,080**	11.6	**9.1**	
Chrysler	326	275	315	286	271	238	245	259	282	314	283	**382**	44.2	**35.0**	
Datsun	901	713	887	792	637	595	738	779	693	559	581	**622**	-21.1	**7.1**	
Dodge	406	413	361	273	378	274	338	332	385	316	310	**422**	17.5	**36.1**	
Ford	1,827	1,545	1,657	1,615	2,047	1,581	1,610	1,794	1,890	1,868	1,801	**1,933**	22.3	**7.3**	
Honda	351	268	376	312	375	338	391	418	427	367	534	**494**	87.1	**-7.5**	
Lincoln	244	234	297	310	307	294	202	201	221	315	304	**279**	23.5	**-8.2**	
Mazda	262	223	276	263	244	196	190	157	198	181	180	**223**	-4.3	**23.9**	
Mercury	668	551	733	565	613	647	574	589	732	705	646	**834**	31.5	**29.1**	
Oldsmobile	2,209	1,809	2,185	1,745	1,861	1,812	1,788	1,811	1,984	2,094	1,867	**2,132**	22.8	**14.2**	
Plymouth	170	149	171	137	210	217	286	268	215	245	206	**257**	25.4	**24.8**	
Pontiac	974	784	932	851	1,011	941	795	1,091	944	1,103	1,001	**1,172**	56.9	**17.1**	
Renault	120	87	161	106	108	80	102	92	115	167	81	**97**	31.1	**19.8**	
Toyota	883	878	975	703	747	803	741	835	803	544	523	**550**	-26.8	**5.2**	
Volkswagen	107	68	86	87	57	69	79	112	138	138	112	**129**	46.6	**15.2**	
Volvo	148	102	169	120	116	107	118	106	123	176	149	**142**	-1.4	**-4.7**	
Other	585	513	466	540	476	402	476	556	490	426	489	**641**	51.2	**31.1**	
Total Car Sales	14,004	11,684	13,758	11,763	12,669	11,780	11,865	12,928	12,888	12,913	12,643	**14,162**	18.3	**12.0**	
NEW TRUCK SALES															
Chevrolet	2,061	1,701	1,926	1,652	1,802	1,795	1,903	1,831	1,703	1,882	1,906	**2,168**	31.6	**13.7**	
Datsun	237	243	306	251	222	118	191	208	457	348	247	**322**	77.9	**30.4**	
Dodge	644	434	529	475	455	459	517	585	641	739	803	**778**	47.3	**-3.1**	
Ford	2,339	1,828	2,095	1,927	2,053	2,116	2,066	2,155	2,087	2,269	2,313	**2,428**	22.3	**5.0**	
GMC	580	462	539	383	514	493	500	509	494	484	507	**697**	35.6	**37.5**	
Mazda	132	101	176	126	131	123	143	160	209	161	119	**187**	125.3	**57.1**	
Toyota	502	421	547	540	437	330	393	652	672	485	498	**634**	95.1	**27.3**	
Other	308	246	318	307	302	315	358	394	359	467	457	**554**	107.5	**21.2**	
Total Truck Sales	6,803	5,436	6,436	5,661	5,917	5,749	6,071	6,494	6,622	6,835	6,850	**7,768**	40.4	**13.4**	

Louisiana State Sales Tax Collections by Commodity

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										Percent Change		
										Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
	1982	1983	**Apr 83**	Nov 83	Dec 83	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	**Apr 84**	Same Month Prior Year	**Prior Month**	
Machine Shops, Welding	**8,754,350**	**6,462,477**	764,214	530,662	533,478	686,674	616,849	558,507	**589,816**	-22.8	**5.6**	-15.6
Other Service Groups	**6,078,216**	**6,486,991**	477,308	534,105	521,841	553,011	448,095	439,047	**559,714**	17.3	**27.5**	8.4
Beverage Bottlers	**4,931,515**	**4,983,043**	400,037	408,405	364,178	338,124	331,269	384,843	**407,970**	2.0	**6.0**	1.6
Sugar Refineries	**135,667**	**90,561**	6,714	10,559	4,859	15,630	8,924	6,053	**6,328**	-5.7	**4.5**	-13.5
Petroleum, Natural Gas	**1,744,043**	**1,789,537**	441,596	107,265	104,268	177,767	120,110	127,624	**121,090**	-72.6	**-5.1**	-29.7
Petroleum Refineries	**8,720,419**	**3,508,428**	302,849	244,398	254,718	264,841	322,947	1,051,086	**301,397**	-0.5	**-71.3**	-47.0
Sawmills, Sash & Door	**317,022**	**120,332**	8,560	9,026	8,025	11,113	10,459	7,178	**6,592**	-23.0	**-8.2**	-69.8
Sand & Gravel	**3,265,240**	**3,185,730**	256,528	300,530	301,084	243,231	216,502	250,870	**331,775**	29.3	**32.2**	10.3
Rice Mills	**10,569**	**30,885**	1,920	1,387	1,495	2,321	1,306	1,002	**1,762**	-8.2	**75.8**	165.3
Cotton Seed Oil	**21,800**	**27,030**	2,454	1,944	2,008	2,790	2,190	1,748	**2,477**	0.9	**41.7**	1.0
Ice Manufacture	**259,080**	**235,530**	11,837	23,254	13,191	9,777	6,337	7,883	**11,509**	-2.8	**46.0**	-9.0
Other Manufacturers	**75,852,081**	**58,117,420**	5,041,325	5,269,063	4,683,711	4,853,805	4,591,089	5,123,336	**7,415,381**	47.1	**44.7**	-12.0
Railroads	**3,375**	**223**	101	0	0	22	0	0	**47**	-53.5		
Bus Lines, Etc.	**3,241**	**2,504**	309	175	207	452	71	0	**174**	-43.7		
Pullman, Tank Cars	**0**	**0**	0	0	0	0	0	0	**0**			
Trucking, Freight, Etc.	**19,339**	**24,983**	1,904	7,995	2,375	2,486	985	987	**1,019**	-46.5	**3.2**	93.9
Fire Protection	**264,164**	**241,756**	23,677	20,904	21,156	19,825	30,160	25,172	**19,659**	-17.0	**-21.9**	0.1
Pipelines	**29,868**	**27,981**	6,450	626	1,364	666	2,160	3,566	**1,993**	-69.1	**-44.1**	-63.4
Light, Power, Gas	**1,115,180**	**973,003**	53,583	68,772	85,489	97,437	67,071	119,065	**92,929**	73.4	**-22.0**	-9.3
Telephone, Telegraph	**116,930**	**103,973**	8,998	7,185	7,053	6,349	3,428	10,804	**7,485**	-16.8	**-30.7**	-26.6
Other Utilities	**1,273,164**	**2,963,612**	317,006	257,874	57,558	31,091	89,704	35,595	**81,383**	-74.3	**128.6**	23.0
Book Stores, Etc.	**4,239,180**	**3,682,533**	336,171	280,072	278,815	400,129	415,064	308,554	**271,207**	-19.3	**-12.1**	-11.8
Itinerant Vendors	**132,011**	**108,053**	9,941	8,327	8,176	9,384	7,654	7,525	**10,002**	0.6	**32.9**	-11.7
Piano, Musical Instruments	**3,692,987**	**3,334,571**	298,107	236,574	238,212	499,866	235,066	247,467	**284,297**	-4.6	**14.9**	-6.3
Iron, Sheet Metal, Etc	**735,413**	**548,730**	59,603	51,821	38,492	49,868	42,784	44,725	**56,393**	-5.4	**26.1**	-15.7
Photo Studios	**2,865,013**	**2,908,090**	282,814	230,369	245,783	307,640	206,022	210,220	**259,537**	-8.2	**23.5**	0.4
Cigar Stores, News	**5,428,202**	**5,904,223**	523,814	492,774	471,802	546,413	434,693	477,784	**480,408**	-8.3	**0.5**	7.7
Florists, Nurseries	**2,601,671**	**2,651,028**	284,516	204,098	180,715	304,515	165,621	225,966	**287,691**	1.1	**27.3**	4.2
Funeral Parlors	**1,133,788**	**1,222,751**	118,219	101,249	97,465	113,283	119,507	106,109	**120,236**	1.7	**13.3**	7.4
Fishing Bait	**1,476,401**	**1,679,656**	224,318	194,620	216,606	90,285	135,149	96,052	**106,721**	-52.4	**11.1**	0.4
Miscellaneous	**77,934,308**	**112,009,119**	6,322,101	6,294,754	4,858,012	6,416,410	5,702,327	5,344,434	**6,668,810**	5.5	**24.8**	-36.4
Common Carriers	**4,584,844**	**3,219,598**	350,977	236,225	271,636	284,849	281,021	227,548	**287,530**	-18.1	**26.4**	-17.9
Total Sales Tax	**796,100,874**	**735,292,543**	63,245,188	63,438,392	61,683,336	76,887,384	55,684,231	58,740,662	**69,253,372**	9.5	**17.9**	0.5

Louisiana State Sales Tax Collections by Commodity

	1982	1983	Apr 83	Nov 83	Dec 83	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	Apr 84	Percent Change		
										Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
										Same Month Prior Year	Prior Month	
Grocery Stores	23,744,759	25,381,100	2,095,953	2,221,587	1,977,189	2,411,239	1,983,992	2,096,939	2,549,174	21.6	21.6	9.4
Fruit & Vegetable Stores	1,082,204	1,145,561	102,666	107,451	101,354	105,914	99,656	102,050	110,356	7.5	8.1	10.0
Meat & Seafood Stores	3,405,760	3,414,495	323,233	266,842	263,501	289,997	256,568	271,301	326,083	0.9	20.2	-0.1
Restaurants & Cafes	27,284,237	29,037,538	2,607,486	2,464,345	2,325,439	2,413,925	2,236,888	2,317,625	2,540,642	-2.6	9.6	6.2
Saloons, Bars, Package Liquors	27,129,704	27,369,731	2,396,516	2,095,041	2,563,115	2,695,220	1,786,236	2,051,235	2,263,967	-5.5	10.4	0.5
Dairy, Egg, Poultry	1,663,467	1,872,052	156,698	243,735	147,434	174,017	132,220	153,633	181,149	15.6	17.9	20.8
Bakeries	664,543	629,917	60,744	62,961	51,300	58,080	55,289	51,422	55,633	-8.4	8.2	-2.2
Chain Stores (Food)	6,308,190	6,255,457	493,998	573,775	470,094	674,025	572,323	347,239	373,462	-24.4	7.6	-7.4
Other Foods	13,017,881	13,405,241	1,141,411	1,139,907	1,160,081	1,381,471	1,080,763	1,135,190	1,358,039	19.0	19.6	11.3
Men and Boy's Clothing	3,389,381	3,300,023	269,309	241,028	289,674	550,241	230,228	208,488	254,984	-5.3	22.3	-2.2
Women's Ready To Wear	6,883,943	6,878,859	673,047	582,173	603,414	953,230	472,562	463,424	652,718	-3.0	40.8	3.1
Millinery	5,334,023	5,812,964	511,564	416,761	552,150	977,437	314,673	321,601	421,659	-17.6	31.1	3.8
Shoe Stores	11,547,959	7,831,831	609,246	562,579	569,581	874,678	428,068	461,372	580,442	-4.7	25.8	-38.2
Salvage Clothing	33,125	52,793	4,344	4,817	4,940	5,681	3,972	5,149	5,235	20.5	1.7	35.3
Children's Clothing	512,907	525,921	56,313	38,369	45,548	55,553	41,614	35,913	51,621	-8.3	43.7	-2.2
Chain Stores (Clothing)	41,769	24,352	4,716	257	662	761	384	250	0			
Other Apparel	6,980,025	7,161,148	613,770	604,174	692,460	1,158,076	530,646	492,921	651,836	6.2	32.2	11.0
Department Stores	20,864,177	26,223,740	2,060,459	1,912,113	3,184,385	4,627,622	1,685,660	1,887,782	2,440,031	18.4	29.3	31.0
Country & Farm Stores	136,307	121,505	14,200	6,971	7,464	15,451	3,973	4,180	6,165	-56.6	47.5	-28.8
Variety Stores	20,927,326	21,461,157	1,772,866	1,746,422	1,969,088	3,623,937	1,186,646	1,353,668	1,655,385	-6.6	22.3	2.1
Drug Stores	11,001,912	11,602,697	990,814	845,578	944,354	1,669,439	889,037	930,502	957,118	-3.4	2.9	5.5
Jewelry, Leather, Sporting Goods	12,783,696	14,414,147	1,052,916	1,050,996	1,445,557	3,039,473	869,472	883,659	1,005,031	-4.5	13.7	6.8
Feed & Seed	1,453,850	1,434,937	137,211	108,863	101,558	149,477	109,798	120,086	162,149	18.2	35.0	6.4
Hardware Stores	13,861,154	12,844,865	1,286,524	1,045,816	1,048,337	1,160,821	1,023,240	973,822	1,174,007	-8.7	20.6	0.0
Farm Implement Dealers	7,239,677	6,195,002	502,932	600,726	453,304	408,257	433,917	481,391	544,374	8.2	13.1	-2.6
Chain Stores (General)	22,029,892	22,162,086	1,683,613	1,812,806	2,479,241	3,078,209	1,397,244	1,489,074	1,702,510	1.1	14.3	4.4
Other General Merchandise	12,281,444	11,244,472	1,021,977	877,332	1,054,090	1,570,480	698,330	715,194	966,133	-5.5	35.1	3.4
Motor Vehicle Dealers	8,234,199	8,052,044	680,960	688,514	645,397	640,125	666,044	666,072	698,842	2.6	4.9	3.2
Auto Parts, Tires	21,152,837	21,360,877	1,885,212	1,854,436	1,719,541	1,799,437	1,666,398	1,749,563	1,849,649	-1.9	5.7	5.5
Service Stations	8,707,536	8,947,964	894,188	751,106	649,711	944,370	275,719	638,519	572,054	-36.0	-10.4	-15.8
Garages, Repair Shops	9,834,715	9,427,830	875,123	716,501	700,946	872,278	786,762	760,714	969,026	10.7	27.4	2.1
Diesel Fuel, Fuel Oil	474,089	582,261	32,075	121,112	44,889	240,081	53,281	37,230	257,108	701.6	590.6	142.9
Marine Supplies	2,292,442	1,582,057	138,714	117,145	89,047	189,666	106,296	134,376	150,016	8.1	11.6	-15.5
Motor Boats	1,316,565	1,108,908	119,560	69,328	75,359	67,055	44,204	97,259	131,835	10.3	35.6	-5.4
Aircraft	759,352	497,852	33,155	55,848	36,715	53,008	39,507	33,952	46,709	40.9	37.6	-19.3
Chain Stores (Auto)	11,075,342	12,563,658	961,191	1,094,727	859,050	798,910	773,757	1,046,462	824,563	-14.2	-21.2	5.6
Other Automotive	1,177,057	1,008,012	95,809	46,123	97,307	99,118	73,350	66,003	58,391	-39.1	-11.5	-4.3
Furniture Stores	7,865,410	7,973,149	678,838	681,761	750,063	906,737	596,911	628,710	696,765	2.6	10.8	8.8
Electric & Gas App	12,289,457	13,511,204	1,235,662	1,006,773	1,185,290	1,653,141	1,083,642	961,855	1,232,564	-0.3	28.1	11.1
Butane Dealers	10,808,841	7,690,840	626,373	760,979	671,508	789,932	756,516	648,040	648,640	3.6	0.1	-19.3
Store, Office Furniture	10,577,022	10,748,882	755,577	1,240,796	1,117,846	1,394,910	1,598,089	1,150,845	1,126,683	49.1	-2.1	27.7
Hotel, Restaurant Supplies	2,530,465	4,255,817	208,282	208,761	1,937,020	216,401	192,420	211,433	255,489	22.7	20.8	57.9
Awnings, Blinds, Upholstery	3,268,459	3,108,648	249,406	261,521	281,771	259,912	294,736	292,469	282,617	13.3	-3.4	5.8
Dental, Medical Supplies	3,661,043	4,280,894	334,262	291,454	376,568	280,975	265,672	313,913	306,381	-8.3	-2.4	12.8
Safes, Locks	429,823	417,949	30,913	39,896	31,624	48,654	28,177	27,273	56,395	82.4	106.8	0.9
Chain Stores (Furniture)	7,647	10,682	430	0	951	498	1,757	317	325	-24.4	2.5	
Other Furniture	2,734,289	3,181,748	299,633	256,948	261,272	330,181	276,738	260,963	289,104	-3.5	10.8	14.9
Bldg Contractors, Construction	2,693,511	2,085,308	202,165	217,648	147,167	149,090	118,997	166,398	198,744	-1.7	19.4	-6.8
Lumber, Paint, Wallpaper Stores	36,831,502	42,595,328	3,528,072	4,305,336	3,669,013	3,339,570	2,809,748	3,493,627	4,160,704	17.9	19.1	20.4
Electric, Plumbing, Elevators	26,962,667	23,903,665	1,684,751	2,196,991	1,956,713	2,022,391	2,446,956	2,465,258	3,307,178	96.3	34.2	1.8
Oil Well Equipment	49,203,655	24,701,963	2,055,398	2,158,244	2,270,549	2,537,761	2,230,371	2,259,629	2,756,616	34.1	22.0	-28.8
Contractors (Elect)	2,283,665	2,108,270	179,808	189,634	173,989	202,016	342,106	176,014	184,749	2.7	5.0	6.4
Contractors (Paint)	146,488	131,548	11,302	12,449	9,187	12,634	9,074	11,881	16,850	49.1	41.8	-2.1
Contractors (Roofing)	454,881	513,978	43,475	42,127	38,139	33,136	40,827	41,405	48,117	10.7	16.2	5.5
Trucks, Dragline, Etc.	24,988,027	19,987,426	1,681,648	1,693,732	1,593,086	1,771,035	1,452,285	1,652,419	1,756,180	4.4	6.3	-6.0
Chain Stores (Lumber)	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		A	
Other Contractors	5,579,090	4,708,506	456,926	398,332	322,440	426,373	293,098	325,880	422,204	-7.6	29.6	-5.7
Hotels, Motels, Etc.	10,071,000	9,956,136	936,614	896,823	847,472	803,409	748,438	826,562	984,066	5.1	19.1	3.8
Leasing, Renting	26,239,810	22,822,322	1,620,740	2,271,185	1,468,478	2,389,603	1,461,700	1,592,226	1,919,509	18.4	20.6	2.1
Bowling, Billiards	142,990	152,9[illegible]6	16,545	13,988	13,485	15,553	23,106	16,966	19,957	20.6	17.6	22.1
Laundry, Tailoring	3,264,509	3,292,742	287,231	280,818	276,257	318,783	280,099	365,577	337,947	17.7	-7.6	7.9
Newspapers, Printing	7,771,927	7,352,909	646,813	648,063	614,192	613,648	607,082	693,672	729,683	12.8	5.2	0.5
Cotton Gins, Etc.	4,647	11,069	587	833	636	609	486	815	1,215	107.0	49.1	-11.6
Warehouses	425,406	508,029	91,944	30,199	32,339	108,031	28,001	19,264	44,797	-51.3	132.5	-10.3
Shoe Repair, Shine	174,698	177,034	22,155	13,084	15,206	23,246	13,457	13,968	18,348	-17.2	31.4	-2.3

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Louisiana State Sales Tax Collections by Parishes

											Percent Change		
											Latest Month		Latest
	Pop	1982	1983	Apr 83	Nov 83	Dec 83	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	Apr 84	Same Month Prior Year	Prior Month	12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
Acadia	59,369	6,451,146	4,398,694	395,213	332,498	354,473	426,461	304,864	346,771	410,815	3.9	18.5	-26.9
Allen	21,739	734,275	741,159	68,666	63,078	62,141	86,945	51,128	57,737	72,869	6.1	26.2	10.2
Ascension	54,618	4,839,080	4,582,879	421,176	391,680	395,097	505,399	338,401	396,056	463,741	10.1	17.1	8.6
Assumption	23,955	804,759	707,164	77,076	52,547	54,612	62,926	49,727	47,286	65,107	-15.5	37.7	-6.6
Avoyelles	42,715	1,548,059	1,410,422	130,140	126,502	104,666	145,921	88,862	104,055	128,656	-1.1	23.6	-5.0
Beauregard	31,207	2,231,031	2,131,651	204,724	186,441	181,228	234,588	145,094	150,702	1,496,371	630.9	892.9	66.6
Bienville	16,188	369,800	413,991	45,867	31,241	30,074	46,172	34,119	31,757	45,747	-0.3	44.1	23.5
Bossier	88,370	6,281,685	6,840,386	587,238	599,599	534,745	755,941	493,071	517,318	632,799	7.8	22.3	11.8
Caddo	261,817	44,513,539	43,592,733	3,752,946	3,573,564	3,567,070	4,297,354	3,229,687	3,262,456	3,837,227	2.2	17.6	-0.9
Calcasieu	176,760	22,449,491	22,692,702	2,052,036	1,868,422	1,946,451	2,235,490	1,585,443	1,676,471	1,927,083	-6.1	14.9	5.5
Caldwell	10,947	426,209	370,848	32,725	26,949	34,893	41,518	40,446	26,536	30,156	-7.9	13.6	3.1
Cameron	10,139	510,560	527,129	35,382	42,494	36,731	41,306	32,214	36,835	73,190	106.9	98.7	23.7
Catahoula	12,326	642,369	609,866	59,135	58,718	56,002	63,828	39,362	46,618	53,215	-10.0	14.2	2.9
Claiborne	18,367	885,079	844,065	72,086	70,449	70,226	93,999	60,882	67,608	73,973	2.6	9.4	2.7
Concordia	23,577	1,040,474	1,069,580	81,198	98,652	100,042	113,812	70,253	87,650	97,422	20.0	11.1	11.5
Desoto	26,970	1,666,348	1,306,081	134,854	110,437	108,863	125,205	90,544	81,905	337,119	150.0	311.6	-10.3
East Baton Rouge	389,503	69,994,517	71,262,773	5,912,246	5,947,175	6,369,290	7,887,070	5,393,569	5,536,886	6,354,735	7.5	14.8	8.4
East Carroll	11,671	501,990	478,773	40,024	54,935	45,392	42,761	36,626	46,400	49,262	23.1	6.2	9.6
East Feliciana	19,939	433,780	406,181	36,719	43,626	36,754	50,022	30,013	39,595	47,782	30.1	20.7	8.9
Evangeline	34,367	1,332,331	1,415,170	120,544	117,301	184,309	168,283	104,104	124,463	148,794	23.4	19.5	20.4
Franklin	24,509	905,955	941,266	85,117	81,852	76,377	90,709	59,151	75,460	86,930	2.1	15.2	8.1
Grant	17,621	189,277	170,733	14,117	10,986	13,787	23,025	11,545	11,169	22,635	60.3	102.7	2.6
Iberia	69,257	9,056,676	7,215,551	559,740	611,177	579,611	712,616	630,847	554,640	665,994	19.0	20.1	-7.5
Iberville	32,981	2,495,484	2,758,504	149,587	308,689	350,106	65,663	311,69[illegible]	263,850	389,103	160.1	47.5	22.2
Jackson	17,309	1,496,263	1,065,947	75,885	69,645	81,456	113,887	63,389	58,734	87,554	15.4	49.1	-12.9
Jefferson	476,915	59,334,742	64,086,930	5,201,456	5,595,194	6,200,192	6,836,622	5,269,472	5,740,902	6,297,965	21.1	9.7	19.5
Jefferson Davis	33,017	2,250,965	1,874,734	154,042	213,605	100,713	265,685	138,355	117,082	208,942	35.6	78.5	2.2
Lafayette	169,694	46,929,202	37,848,843	3,357,423	3,152,235	3,145,881	4,337,235	3,033,640	3,088,381	3,426,147	2.0	10.9	-7.9
Lafourche	88,349	5,472,212	5,400,071	482,323	439,306	433,017	505,859	357,415	441,028	830,604	72.2	88.3	12.3
Lasalle	17,697	1,112,391	894,975	70,736	94,103	69,673	123,153	66,616	77,357	90,778	28.3	17.3	-0.8
Lincoln	41,847	3,515,146	3,451,541	322,767	300,826	304,802	332,637	233,011	240,393	321,019	-0.5	33.5	2.8
Livingston	66,451	1,904,818	2,248,530	182,953	201,679	177,305	219,264	150,216	162,959	217,187	18.7	33.3	20.6
Madison	15,894	505,647	474,025	41,216	43,669	39,131	53,396	27,461	37,558	41,179	-0.1	9.6	-4.9
Morehouse	35,183	2,067,755	1,663,519	147,022	217,727	103,301	158,353	196,652	146,543	580,585	294.9	296.2	31.6
Natchitoches	40,805	2,391,431	2,427,376	206,476	297,094	164,669	221,852	168,699	565,083	166,077	-19.6	-70.6	22.5
Orleans	567,062	121,066,976	115,929,931	10,281,360	9,828,586	9,102,617	11,678,991	7,871,5[illegible]	8,314,962	9,686,909	-5.8	16.5	-2.8
Ouachita	142,300	20,693,667	21,771,914	1,951,371	1,181,085	1,968,226	2,447,809	1,513,242	1,598,819	2,380,468	22.0	48.9	10.1
Plaquemines	26,778	4,860,319	3,696,832	395,202	262,740	251,322	343,785	265,248	306,084	321,374	-18.7	5.0	-5.8
Pointe Coupee	25,091	847,016	856,287	84,399	68,987	56,017	70,731	58,746	75,893	72,558	-14.0	-4.4	8.4
Rapides	138,346	12,154,223	12,635,359	1,149,762	1,195,802	199,294	1,372,760	990,325	1,024,106	1,173,974	2.1	14.6	6.5
Red River	11,114	378,710	373,779	33,014	33,948	29,394	41,458	28,084	26,000	32,418	-1.8	24.7	5.8
Richland	22,785	992,010	989,231	82,148	90,758	76,989	95,500	65,724	72,583	100,421	22.2	38.4	7.2
Sabine	27,139	1,227,784	1,082,189	109,260	88,911	81,040	107,815	80,756	68,669	102,393	-6.3	49.1	-17.6
St. Bernard	67,949	3,363,434	2,403,265	233,815	191,856	141,677	216,809	146,587	181,175	189,958	-18.8	4.8	-25.3
St. Charles	41,103	6,274,942	2,877,417	202,640	246,567	245,250	269,463	246,095	1,033,016	232,329	14.7	-77.5	-34.9
St. Helena	10,186	114,529	134,869	9,098	14,113	7,632	20,128	11,006	17,500	28,638	214.8	63.6	87.2
St. James	21,970	1,002,413	1,101,744	118,503	98,300	87,509	107,713	67,438	103,766	105,659	-10.8	1.8	2.6
St. John	37,668	2,482,106	2,747,164	197,135	272,263	280,654	282,666	251,672	232,285	296,554	50.4	27.7	43.8
St. Landry	87,800	6,560,646	5,105,021	486,831	446,825	450,133	552,515	446,327	405,403	450,969	-7.4	11.2	-14.8
St. Martin	44,455	2,060,769	1,947,219	168,820	309,521	154,974	189,067	134,941	131,954	191,509	13.4	45.1	5.1
St. Mary	66,950	10,249,867	7,007,295	588,976	596,516	605,211	676,203	555,951	543,298	581,527	-1.3	7.0	-20.0
St. Tammany	128,130	6,919,960	9,316,515	660,120	949,539	856,396	936,744	637,247	816,262	968,912	46.8	18.7	30.9
Tangipahoa	87,863	5,414,344	5,926,027	500,956	447,281	464,178	558,416	384,917	405,092	512,003	2.2	26.4	1.3
Tensas	8,244	273,146	198,411	23,006	17,503	12,560	16,338	12,198	10,752	1[illegible],805	-18.3	74.9	-23.1
Terrebonne	102,038	15,516,154	11,432,619	1,683,915	835,800	928,864	1,200,920	458,957	879,875	993,870	-41.0	13.0	-23.7
Union	21,734	652,402	684,623	55,876	52,333	45,170	58,385	49,017	51,466	[illegible],557	28.1	39.0	6.2
Vermillion	52,445	3,522,539	3,210,157	289,689	240,057	252,442	316,741	244,387	230,612	385,765	33.2	67.3	-1.6
Vernon	61,275	1,581,026	2,085,166	222,496	170,598	162,212	217,009	150,939	158,485	191,240	-14.0	20.7	20.6
Washington	45,765	1,964,399	1,740,296	156,302	133,996	140,039	216,706	119,354	134,472	170,523	9.1	26.8	5.8
Webster	45,205	2,761,257	2,700,587	266,929	230,843	205,369	282,811	182,191	193,515	253,368	-5.1	30.9	-1.4
West Baton Rouge	20,168	3,441,049	2,902,042	236,082	227,992	364,681	196,034	113,694	124,329	187,897	-20.4	51.1	-11.7
West Carroll	13,267	535,079	494,768	42,731	35,364	46,241	49,363	34,265	21,619	42,874	0.3	98.3	-1.8
West Feliciana	13,269	2,551,591	2,851,065	176,030	211,104	91,362	197,960	160,172	161,364	99,993	-43.2	-38.0	11.9
Winn	17,575	795,675	887,100	73,449	78,372	72,878	101,816	71,926	75,215	92,547	26.0	23.0	19.1
Out Of State		245,017,824	211,935,545	17,453,644	18,813,149	17,096,478	22,579,064	17,394,745	17,075,846	19,534,243	11.9	14.4	-4.0
Total Sales Tax	4,437,847	796,100,874	735,292,543	63,245,188	63,438,392	61,683,336	76,887,384	55,684,231	58,740,662	69,253,372	9.5	17.9	0.5

Collections For Indicated Month Based On Sales For Preceding Month

Louisiana Local Sales Tax Collections - Parish School Boards

Categories	Rate	Pop	1982	1983	May 83	Dec 83	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	Apr 84	May 84	Percent Change		
												Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
												Same Month Prior Year	Prior Month	
Acadia	2.00	59,369	**3,487,633**	**3,032,095**	240,745	238,838	326,118	251,411	225,403	258,125	**275,013**	14.2	**6.5**	-0.4
Allen	1.00	21,739	**907,276**	**977,971**	81,864	77,967	105,816	69,825	72,281	108,433	**78,211**	-4.5	**-27.9**	3.0
Ascension	2.00	54,618	**9,171,365**	**8,780,407**	632,446	689,970	927,139	702,067	718,007	873,844	**795,683**	25.8	**-8.9**	12.1
Assumption	3.00	23,955	**2,194,108**	**2,554,537**	195,525	225,077	195,260	195,475	176,250	177,232	**159,322**	-18.5	**-10.1**	0.2
Avoyelles	1.50	42,715	**2,416,627**	**2,369,982**	194,583	197,415	246,082	184,515	179,918	233,245	**214,888**	10.4	**-7.9**	3.4
Beauregard	1.00	31,207	**1,604,703**	**1,883,358**	140,018	144,536	220,502	149,139	132,381	169,225	**402,939**	187.8	**138.1**	34.6
Bienville	2.00	16,288	**949,710**	**1,139,334**	61,410	69,205	85,122	60,766	62,516	76,389	**61,386**	-0.0	**-19.6**	31.3
Bogalusa(d)	1.00		**1,044,648**	**611,142**	79,173									
Bossier	1.50	88,370	**7,808,210**	**8,099,098**	624,651	650,318	933,133	594,881	601,207	789,428	**727,802**	16.5	**-7.8**	11.0
Caddo	1.00	261,817	**20,908,284**	**20,377,832**	1,597,371	1,833,632	2,095,412	1,639,593	1,618,295	1,889,779	**1,926,285**	20.6	**1.9**	6.0
Calcasieu	1.00	176,760	**16,676,090**	**15,649,795**	1,159,450	1,239,239	1,727,807	1,240,845	1,141,537	1,320,631	**1,252,409**	8.0	**-5.2**	1.3
Caldwell	1.00	10,947	**393,867**	**458,563**	37,043	36,331	49,844	40,429	38,555	44,550				
Catahoula	2.50	12,326	**601,578**	**539,326**	39,277	45,797	62,298	47,376	41,724					
Claiborne	1.00	18,367	**945,214**	**998,430**	56,078	54,838	101,549	91,563	86,201	100,851	**74,342**	32.6	**-26.3**	31.6
Concordia	1.00	23,577	**1,174,100**	**1,318,935**	99,853	117,278	139,206	132,596	132,425	130,420	**127,840**	28.0	**-2.0**	24.0
Desoto	1.00	26,970	**2,248,558**	**2,316,845**	221,932	164,511	245,299	189,474	148,638	206,213	**233,361**	5.1	**13.2**	22.7
E Baton Rouge	1.00	389,503	**31,483,141**	**33,402,316**	2,763,347	3,480,580	2,757,674	3,128,128	2,681,533	3,060,021				
E Carroll	1.00	11,671	**424,202**	**431,488**	35,411	33,268	39,554	30,673	31,973	36,849	**32,640**	-7.8	**-11.4**	10.8
E Feliciana	3.00	19,037	**1,756,534**	**1,696,485**	120,574	140,246	197,319	194,539	125,368	144,112	**134,988**	12.0	**-6.3**	2.0
Evangeline	1.00	34,367	**1,497,032**	**1,409,550**	105,490	113,492	158,016	107,987	107,713	142,486	**123,049**	16.6	**-13.6**	2.1
Franklin	1.50	24,509	**1,300,003**	**1,398,650**	115,254	9,707	271,445	83,021	132,279	107,730	**133,618**	15.9	**24.0**	3.7
Grant	1.00	17,621	**403,988**	**419,365**	30,391	32,406	48,802	36,358	32,581	43,179				
Iberia	1.75	69,257	**7,896,933**	**6,136,540**	470,415	491,470	611,049	470,228	698,000	551,579	**532,095**	13.1	**-3.5**	-6.7
Iberville	1.00	32,981	**4,120,443**	**3,659,191**	272,525	296,833	512,793	299,142	352,826	463,445	**304,002**	11.6	**-34.4**	8.6
Jackson	1.00	17,309	**1,550,007**	**2,005,433**	115,926	156,372	209,713	143,071	144,702	174,013	**161,772**	39.5	**-7.0**	-1.0
Jeff Davis	1.00	33,017	**2,653,582**	**2,285,297**	248,264	163,132	203,234	161,580	185,361	237,856	**241,711**	-2.6	**1.6**	-0.2
Jefferson	1.50	476,915	**57,843,301**	**60,202,296**	4,900,325	5,277,510	6,477,949	4,773,181	5,149,437	5,165,348	**5,576,608**	13.8	**8.0**	7.8
Lafayette	1.00	169,964	**20,473,743**	**17,269,850**	1,365,230	1,470,889	1,927,707	1,449,734	1,481,626	1,677,541	**1,557,488**	14.1	**-7.2**	-2.8
Lafourche	1.00	88,349	**6,051,343**	**5,812,429**	484,174	420,230	630,571	418,871	463,098	461,861	**536,968**	10.9	**16.3**	2.9
Lasalle	1.00	17,697	**952,044**	**923,437**	69,685	73,750	115,152		74,909	74,291	**94,990**	36.3	**27.9**	
Lincoln	1.00	41,847	**2,092,881**	**2,164,791**	188,637	215,241	163,914	176,009	205,498	193,831	**211,046**	11.9	**8.9**	8.4
Livingston	2.00	66,451	**5,182,668**	**6,099,619**	450,218	447,372	712,658	479,762	440,075	529,409	**481,551**	7.0	**-9.0**	21.9
Madison	1.50	15,894	**767,000**	**737,000**	73,000	68,000	71,000	54,000	59,000	67,000	**66,000**	-9.6	**-1.5**	3.3
Monroe	0.50		**1,676,255**	**1,864,523**	152,145	159,495	202,011	147,518	136,043	175,608	**163,959**	7.8	**-6.6**	12.9
Morehouse	1.00	35,183	**1,384,330**	**1,588,401**	112,273	116,683	138,753	104,059	112,341	136,037	**114,364**	1.9	**-15.9**	16.7
Natchitoches	1.00	40,805	**1,941,821**	**2,135,267**	165,993	190,290	223,427	190,508	153,710	201,491	**181,786**	9.5	**-9.8**	16.4
Orleans	1.50	567,062	**29,214,591**	**50,755,719**	4,364,575	4,499,251	5,200,828	4,087,821	4,773,180	4,521,917	**5,234,175**	19.9	**15.8**	
Ouachita	.0.50	142,300	**2,734,960**	**3,042,118**	248,237	260,228	329,596	240,687	221,965	286,518	**267,512**	7.8	**-6.6**	12.9
Plaquemine	1.00	26,778	**4,088,270**	**3,722,819**	361,728	281,536	357,796	568,645	361,225	312,953	**304,883**	-15.7	**-2.6**	-0.8
Pointe Coupee	1.00	25,091	**3,299,338**	**2,014,763**	89,182	72,898	108,433	566,617	103,910	121,842	**97,362**	9.2	**-20.1**	-41.4
Red River	1.00	11,114	**445,065**	**409,363**	39,319	31,137	45,590	28,578	40,179	38,095	**45,648**	16.1	**19.8**	10.5
Richland	1.50	22,785	**1,448,594**	**1,442,195**	113,464	48,976	227,176	113,289	109,605	135,677	**124,252**	9.5	**-8.4**	2.8
Sabine	1.00	27,139	**1,163,268**	**1,245,239**	96,308	91,336	125,049	91,586	87,530	120,636	**110,549**	14.8	**-8.4**	5.0
St Bernard	3.00	67,949	**5,777,888**	**7,149,077**	501,029	791,049	637,000	521,846	612,000	620,000				
St Charles	2.00	41,103	**11,614,789**	**8,704,765**	753,179	539,520	978,447	612,091	641,315	847,771	**672,753**	-10.7	**-20.6**	-13.7
St Helena	1.00	10,186	**295,928**	**340,395**	27,886	21,281	35,635	33,568	24,982	37,009	**30,006**	7.6	**-18.9**	23.2
St James	2.00	21,970	**4,349,277**	**7,785,230**	504,909	588,889	553,837	590,854	778,005	559,806	**629,145**	24.6	**12.4**	47.3
St John	2.00	37,668	**5,581,636**	**5,655,715**	422,504	501,283	528,831	480,479	447,789	521,825	**463,426**	9.7	**-11.2**	-3.9
St Landry	1.00	87,800	**5,384,586**	**4,434,974**	355,875	389,733	550,003	341,078	346,468	426,803	**396,035**	11.3	**-7.2**	-5.3
St Martin	1.00	44,455	**2,438,676**	**2,208,335**	169,265	172,136	221,548	175,886	177,040	206,897	**191,773**	13.3	**-7.3**	5.0
St Mary	0.95	66,950	**7,449,564**	**5,672,364**	476,984	498,417	567,912	417,658	479,764	465,061				
St Tammany	2.00	128,130	**13,191,017**	**15,457,926**	1,451,174	1,324,450	1,641,849	1,210,749	1,216,688	1,470,564	**1,489,548**	2.6	**1.3**	18.4
Tangipahoa	2.00	87,863	**4,382,490**	**5,328,394**	329,117	775,252	1,022,640	684,732	704,788	A 830,770	**828,656**	151.8	**-0.3**	80.2
Tensas	1.00	8,244	**327,720**	**332,476**	25,269	25,291	40,116	29,173	29,176	24,950	**34,254**	35.6	**37.3**	14.1
Terrebonne	0.75	102,038	**8,523,265**	**6,705,498**	556,381	583,165	669,821	511,901	546,152	599,974	**561,570**	0.9	**-6.4**	-7.3
Union	1.00	21,734	**772,960**	**804,599**	63,532	67,946	83,600	64,252	60,454	73,539	**65,847**	3.6	**-10.5**	8.8
Vermillion	1.00	52,445	**5,379,878**	**4,103,319**	392,796	342,809	276,041	248,669	318,272					
Vernon	1.00	61,275	**1,665,527**	**1,904,793**	158,344	191,697	146,629	152,488						
Washington	2.00	45,765	**1,606,628**	**1,594,133**	118,378	130,605	174,941	128,534	130,997	128,283	**145,340**	22.8	**13.3**	7.2
Webster	1.00	45,205	**2,373,074**	**2,368,500**	186,142	189,548	246,366	178,577	178,459	230,600	**208,832**	12.2	**-9.4**	5.2
W B Rouge	2.00	20,168	**1,575,482**	**1,626,305**	116,251	102,361	179,090	578,781	112,755	114,092	**162,603**	39.9	**42.5**	37.4
W Carroll	1.00	13,267	**523,215**	**508,132**	43,350	6,745	79,634	36,757	41,500	49,060	**43,950**	1.4	**-10.4**	2.1
W Feliciana	2.00	13,269	**4,525,156**	**3,841,992**	359,201	299,697	216,352	299,775	205,723	207,564	**1,114,137**	210.2	**436.8**	-25.1
Winn	1.25	17,575	**838,646**	**926,884**	67,793	78,147	91,439	75,008	75,932	95,802	**77,387**	14.2	**-19.2**	12.3
Total			**354,954,710**	**372,835,601**	30,092,868	32,047,301	38,469,527	31,018,403	30,969,264	33,070,060	**29,907,437**	-0.6	**-9.6**	6.3

Collections For Indicated Month Based On Sales For Preceding Month

Louisiana Local Sales Tax Collections - Police Juries

												Percent Change		
												Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
Categories	**Rate**	**Pop**	**1982**	**1983**	**May 83**	**Dec 83**	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	Apr 84	**May 84**	Same Month Prior Year	**Prior Month**	
Acadia	1.00	59,369		**2,305,274**	219,765	217,218	313,181	230,649	214,482	258,126	**246,204**	**12.0**	**-4.6**	
Ascension	0.00	54,618	**2,996,742**	**2,552,749**	175,556	171,806	238,189	213,248	219,294	264,887	**226,754**	**29.2**	**-14.4**	**8.1**
Assumption	1.00	23,955	**1,280,502**	**1,427,214**	102,837	118,639	96,777	112,339	89,489	91,904	**79,541**	**-22.7**	**-13.5**	**2.9**
Caldwell	1.00	10,947	**393,867**	**459,563**	37,043	36,331	49,844	40,429	38,555	44,550				
Catahoula	1.50	12,326	**843,628**	**821,362**	67,085	71,443	101,269	63,965	68,417	65,251	**69,027**	**2.9**	**5.8**	**8.0**
Concordia	1.00	23,577	**462,426**	**577,298**	36,542	77,913	74,857	69,180	56,641	64,272	**62,409**	**70.8**	**-2.9**	**62.0**
Lafayette	1.00	169,694	**4,902,784**	**3,195,720**	247,840	352,402	350,973	289,012	343,658	429,229	**321,109**	**29.6**	**-25.2**	**-5.5**
Lincoln	0.75	41,847	**1,046,441**	**1,623,593**	141,462	161,431	122,935	132,007	154,123	144,946	**154,665**	**9.3**	**6.7**	**35.8**
Madison	0.00	15,894	**249,468**	**249,580**	20,285	24,477	23,982	18,741	21,331	22,417	**21,520**	**6.1**	**-4.0**	**4.9**
Ouachita	1.00	142,300	**2,315,549**	**2,583,554**	208,895	204,171	236,629	219,561	201,720	246,833	**243,904**	**16.8**	**-1.2**	**17.6**
Pointe Coupee	1.00	25,091	**3,679,288**	**2,213,779**	104,811	87,465	123,771	582,805	121,840	97,362	**97,362**	**-7.1**	**0.0**	**-41.3**
Rapides	1.00	138,346	**8,192,968**	**8,861,752**	724,164	755,930	982,879	630,953	689,533	814,540	**816,416**	**12.7**	**0.2**	**10.6**
Red River	1.00	11,114	**407,362**	**413,602**	26,333	33,477	50,043	43,588	34,161	39,572	**36,922**	**40.2**	**-6.7**	**16.2**
St Bernard	0.00	67,949	**5,822,888**	**7,149,076**	501,029	791,048	637,000	521,846	612,000	620,000				
Tensas	1.00	8,244	**362,751**	**302,713**	26,412	23,344	27,410	22,088	22,916	25,066	**25,863**	**-2.1**	**3.2**	**-18.6**
Vermillion	1.00	52,445	**5,391,480**	**4,103,253**	392,790	342,809	276,041	248,669	318,272					
Total			**38,348,144**	**38,840,082**	3,032,849	3,469,904	3,705,780	3,439,080	3,206,432	2,964,068	**1,940,736**	**-36.0**	**-34.5**	**5.1**

Louisiana Local Sales Tax Collections -- Cities & Towns

Categories	**Rate**	**Pop**	**1982**	**1983**	**May 83**	**Dec 83**	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	Apr 84	**May 84**			
Abbeville	1.00	12,478	**1,079,918**	**1,008,261**	80,516	82,440	108,626	80,909	83,625	84,611	**83,228**	**3.4**	**-1.6**	**-3.7**
Abita Springs	2.00	1,131	**22,576**	**31,734**	2,830	2,684	3,420	2,071	2,722	3,709	**5,112**	**80.6**	**37.8**	**48.8**
Albany	1.00	874	**31,334**	**33,178**	2,727	2,590	3,274	2,362	2,229	3,165	**4,688**	**71.9**	**48.1**	**10.0**
Alexandria	1.00	52,371	**4,611,151**	**5,076,408**	397,094	448,123	616,430	361,491	392,309	465,307	**443,801**	**11.8**	**-4.6**	**12.1**
Amite City	2.00	4,448	**727,877**	**814,629**	66,608	66,188	90,737	68,185	58,537	73,593	**75,035**	**12.7**	**2.0**	**8.4**
Angie	1.00	322												
Arcadia	1.00	3,531	**215,466**	**225,776**	24,880	17,932	22,261	17,783	19,228	19,227	**17,076**	**-31.4**	**-11.2**	**1.5**
Arnaudville	2.00	1,734	**139,026**	**174,464**	14,427	15,908	11,998	20,198	14,045	14,195	**15,247**	**5.7**	**7.4**	**3.4**
Baker	2.00	13,496	**1,226,799**	**1,445,313**	113,483	110,579	222,674	105,401	103,954	135,247	**142,796**	**25.8**	**5.6**	**19.6**
Basile	2.00	2,720	**108,029**	**101,577**	8,333	8,546	9,660	7,811	7,425	11,291	**7,721**	**-7.3**	**-31.6**	**-4.4**
Bastrop	1.00	15,279	**1,070,427**	**1,363,734**	104,062	97,650	117,139	90,118	96,995	109,539	**92,350**	**-11.3**	**-15.7**	**21.0**
Benton	1.00	2,062					7,762	5,054	7,489	6,653	**5,098**		**-23.4**	
Bernice	1.00	2,082	**74,469**	**82,907**	6,637	6,084	9,182	6,347	6,310	7,710	**6,191**	**-6.7**	**-19.7**	**3.0**
Bogalusa	3.00	16,941	**2,374,118**	**2,835,620**	226,384	249,182	325,314	226,819	249,989	254,248	**239,360**	**5.7**	**-5.9**	**9.4**
Bonita	1.00	507	**15,535**	**13,427**	1,270	755	814	833	1,081	1,098				
Bossier City	1.50	53,032	**4,528,941**	**6,174,986**	505,270	491,721	700,067	479,969	463,331	596,784	**592,097**	**17.2**	**-0.8**	**23.3**
Breaux Bridge	1.00	6,412	**460,724**	**472,275**	38,847	40,273	45,619	34,750	34,783	43,600	**39,309**	**1.2**	**-9.8**	**1.2**
Broussard	1.00	3,264	**438,941**	**330,131**	21,515	25,151	28,114	27,532	29,764	32,341	**28,095**	**30.6**	**-13.1**	**-6.9**
Bunkie	1.50	5,400	**517,523**	**540,807**	44,623	47,815	59,903	37,308	40,455	56,540	**47,801**	**7.1**	**-15.5**	**6.9**
Campti	1.00	1,069												
Cankton	1.00	342	**9,901**	**8,150**	1,071	549	693	813	511	775	**354**	**-66.9**	**-54.3**	**-7.7**
Carencro	1.00	4,137	**394,691**	**373,880**	34,605	29,240	29,162	25,547	25,602	39,411	**36,048**	**4.2**	**-8.5**	**-4.0**
Church Point	1.00	4,692	**234,859**	**217,157**	17,428	19,346	24,616	16,494	17,111	17,990	**17,417**	**-0.1**	**-3.2**	**-3.5**
Colfax	2.00	1,697	**74,130**	**147,517**	13,157	12,075	16,530	11,938	12,472	16,894				
Columbia	1.00	689	**73,665**	**101,181**	9,024	8,241	10,285	5,545	10,331	4,298	**10,502**	**16.4**	**144.3**	**8.7**
Cotton Valley	1.00	1,555	**29,477**	**30,868**	2,080	2,218	2,008	2,004	2,355	2,264	**2,250**	**8.2**	**-0.6**	**17.4**
Cottonport	1.00	2,119	**80,288**	**82,607**	7,398	7,917	9,262	6,070	6,207	8,133	**6,897**	**-6.8**	**-15.2**	**8.8**
Coushatta	1.00	2,187	**226,775**	**211,851**	14,683	16,670	25,028	16,391	16,222	19,739	**16,533**	**12.6**	**-16.2**	**4.3**
Covington	2.00	8,280	**1,016,750**	**1,841,454**	138,421	244,334	140,339	139,699	155,635	174,637	**120,292**	**-13.1**	**-31.1**	**37.7**
Crowley	2.00	16,242	**1,913,815**	**2,015,460**	167,048	162,715	223,363	144,058	146,063	169,096	**167,303**	**0.2**	**-1.1**	**-3.8**
Cullen	1.00	1,862	**38,953**	**39,213**	3,439	2,824	3,961	3,048	2,887	4,196	**3,503**	**1.9**	**-16.5**	**6.5**
Delcambre	1.00	2,226	**110,748**	**91,509**	6,445	6,103	8,696	6,479	5,039	10,087	**7,825**	**21.4**	**-22.4**	**-9.1**
Delhi	0.50	3,321	**100,868**	**119,077**	8,480	9,024	8,448	11,576	8,119	8,599	**10,017**	**18.1**	**16.5**	**-4.0**
Delta	1.00	283	**6,227**	**5,867**	716	258	464	735	234	1,098	**308**	**-57.0**	**-71.9**	**5.6**
Denham Sprgs	1.00	8,963	**1,061,102**	**1,168,402**	91,216	98,027	133,295	87,705	95,676	112,901	**107,947**	**18.3**	**-4.4**	**13.8**
Dequincy	2.00	4,101	**246,477**	**239,497**	20,522	20,578	46,284	36,165	33,762	42,896	**32,047**	**56.2**	**-25.3**	**39.5**
DeRidder	1.00	11,191	**826,009**	**875,705**	69,822	79,451	101,270	68,074	67,534	77,699	**81,326**	**16.5**	**4.7**	**14.5**
Dixie Inn	1.00	506	**56,930**	**58,227**	5,083	4,527	5,459	4,132	4,067	4,782	**4,713**	**-7.3**	**-1.4**	**3.1**
Donaldsonville	2.00	8,070	**461,681**	**659,418**	54,459	57,680	95,752	52,750	65,646	66,969	**66,906**	**22.9**	**-0.1**	**55.1**
Dubach	1.00	1,234	**20,207**	**21,643**	2,501	1,559	2,370							
Duson	2.00	1,355	**106,251**	**178,173**	13,243	20,124	12,738	10,244	16,831	11,509	**14,862**	**12.2**	**29.1**	**54.8**
Elizabeth	1.00	458	**6,395**	**14,282**	1,044	1,016	1,464	1,356	1,209	1,318	**1,130**	**8.2**	**-14.3**	
Elton	1.00	1,441	**48,926**	**37,996**	3,435	2,001	4,524	2,932	3,133	3,780				
Erath	1.00	2,345	**135,031**	**125,231**	9,162	9,216	11,647	9,405	8,993	10,491	**10,336**	**12.8**	**-1.5**	**-3.4**
Estherwood	2.00	728	**11,288**	**12,903**	1,005	1,101	804	706	860	1,417	**1,229**	**22.3**	**-13.3**	**-4.3**
Eunice	2.00	12,624	**1,963,046**	**1,838,133**	151,215	155,883	188,096	131,353	145,273	165,830	**165,357**	**9.4**	**-0.3**	**-0.6**
E Baton Rouge	2.00	389,503	**60,092,719**	**63,310,820**	4,936,141	5,364,972	6,613,858	5,266,005	5,118,504	5,920,577	**5,786,358**	**17.2**	**-2.3**	**10.7**
Farmerville	1.00	3,779	**267,599**	**291,989**	21,676	23,141	29,327	26,673	20,928	24,689	**24,791**	**14.4**	**0.4**	**9.5**
Ferriday	1.00	4,463	**366,149**	**366,154**	28,671	27,644	38,642	31,083	29,566	31,683	**31,078**	**8.4**	**-1.9**	**4.3**
Florien	1.00	969												
Folsom	1.00	350	**40,270**	**36,137**	3,740	3,119	5,152	5,016	3,089	5,899	**3,762**	**0.6**	**-36.2**	**10.1**
Franklinton	1.00	4,196	**391,405**	**433,598**	41,556	36,293	60,843	30,309	30,665	37,255	**36,991**	**-11.0**	**-0.7**	**14.1**
Gibsland	1.00	1,354	**0**	**0**			1,858	925	1,602	2,072	**1,097**		**-47.1**	
Gilbert	1.00	804	**13,685**	**18,559**	1,590	2,220	1,433	1,545	1,695	1,527	**1,905**	**19.8**	**24.8**	**19.2**
Glenmora	1.00	1,490	**44,118**	**46,616**	3,962	3,961	4,120	2,839	3,185	4,022	**3,862**	**-2.5**	**-4.0**	**2.7**

Collections For Indicated Month Based On Sales For Preceding Month

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Categories	Rate	Pop	1982	1983	May 83	Dec 83	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	Apr 84	May 84	Percent Change		
												Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
												Same Month Prior Year	Prior Month	
G Meadow	1.00	2,320	140,180	122,433	11,969	1,228	7,917	3,962	9,924	9,214	9,107	-23.9	-1.2	-20.8
Gonzales	1.00	7,517	1,114,383	1,193,461	97,167	100,543	133,691	87,960	99,307	121,320	111,480	14.7	-8.1	12.5
Grambling	1.00	4,226		45,022	4,800	4,736	6,825	4,823	5,162	4,714				
Gramercy	1.00	3,477	188,322	191,186	14,661	19,917	20,342	12,118	13,805	15,384	16,652	13.6	8.2	-3.3
Grand Coteau	1.00	1,160	29,407	31,224	2,097	2,864	2,734	2,033	2,809	3,400	3,847	83.5	13.1	19.6
Greensburg	1.00	683	44,138	47,189	2,626	2,897	6,177	3,364	4,425	3,474	3,455	31.6	-0.5	3.1
Gueydan	1.00	1,702	5,835	90,713	10,059	7,740	8,200	6,611	7,166	8,713	8,555	-15.0	-1.8	
Hall Summit	1.00	284	4,810	6,944	808	580	344	326	391	315				
Hammond	2.00	15,792	2,413,593	4,201,935	397,698	350,903	521,850	304,102	320,282	383,404	440,972	10.9	15.0	36.6
Haughton	1.00	1,670	34,481	37,799	2,481	2,341	2,813	3,010	4,142					
Haynesville	1.00	3,569	202,986	169,504	12,572	14,618	16,717	16,505	16,432	16,532	15,182	20.8	-8.2	-2.1
Henderson	1.00	1,750	66,902	64,701	4,544	3,104	5,529	7,909	3,953	4,216	4,069	-10.5	-3.5	-10.5
Homer	1.00	4,478	328,256	286,627	21,581	21,771	38,280	21,559	23,045	26,010	25,767	19.4	-0.9	11.1
Iberville	1.00	32,981	4,122,393	3,658,666	271,934	296,893	512,836	299,100	352,710	463,428	304,008	11.8	-34.4	8.6
Independence	2.50	1,747	119,951	144,630	10,092	12,468	16,582	11,206	9,255	14,565	13,507	33.8	-7.3	9.6
Iota	1.00	1,334	58,279	47,536	3,787	3,844	4,449	4,911	3,594	4,496	4,070	7.5	-9.5	-10.2
Iowa	1.00	2,586	99,853	110,343	14,483	8,923	9,266	8,497	9,482	12,257	9,675	-33.2	-21.1	0.8
Jeanerette	1.25	6,964	374,155	348,126	28,671	27,994	36,425	26,150	32,100	27,900				
Jefferson	1.50	476,915	57,352,206	59,756,242	4,866,111	5,242,113	6,450,840	4,734,759	5,111,081	5,124,435	5,533,526	13.7	8.0	7.9
Jennings	1.00	12,511	1,155,993	1,005,584	103,663	76,817	98,930	78,121	74,238	91,164	90,778	-12.4	-0.4	-4.7
Jonesboro	2.00	5,096	653,776	681,523	54,968	53,093	78,802	50,606	57,237	61,136	57,528	4.7	-5.9	6.3
Kaplan	1.00	5,109	300,563	295,983	26,040	25,011	33,610	20,723	21,929	26,767				
Kentwood	1.00	2,748	194,690	193,845	17,855	16,253	22,010	14,099	14,430	18,755	16,301	-8.7	-13.1	2.3
Kinder	1.00	2,583	72,034	188,701	15,150	15,986	18,560	13,452	16,266	16,418	15,449	2.0	-5.9	
Krotz Springs	1.00	1,472	54,663	52,789	3,807	7,723	30,983	5,342	3,562	3,367	7,286	91.4	116.4	44.1
Lafayette	1.00	90,147	14,263,840	12,901,705	1,023,590	1,027,435	1,474,194	1,071,099	1,044,120	1,135,538	1,130,886	10.5	-0.4	-2.2
Lafourche	0.50	88,349	2,176,690	2,085,909	171,864	154,798	218,320	148,930	170,391	161,942	192,133	11.8	18.6	4.8
Lake Arthur	2.00	3,634	166,618	271,409	32,921	21,842	24,614	21,238	19,689	26,615	21,903	-33.5	-17.7	19.9
Lake Charles	1.00	75,955	7,119,302	7,278,335	571,685	645,502	793,163	525,462	523,223	607,467	604,148	5.7	-0.5	5.0
L Providence	1.00	6,361	174,803	226,928	17,906	20,095	22,047	13,911	16,690	18,044	17,372	-3.0	-3.7	4.0
Leesville	1.00	9,107	761,176	1,086,472	63,383	104,814	104,814	132,690	87,058	79,998	79,998	26.2	0.0	39.7
Livingston	1.00	66,451	53,514	65,955	5,105	4,077	6,909	5,148	4,482	6,412	4,537	-11.1	-29.2	9.3
Lockport	1.00	2,510	138,405	156,748	10,145	11,693	16,813	11,328	9,833	13,160	11,299	11.4	-14.1	7.5
Logansport	1.00	1,689	112,860	107,316	8,836	10,786	6,707	6,990	9,865	8,346	7,980	-9.7	-4.4	-10.8
Loreauville	1.00	967	48,547	39,773	3,752	2,933	4,150	3,427	3,571	3,961	3,620	-3.5	-8.6	-8.2
Lutcher	1.00	5,034	122,692	120,847	10,461	10,511	10,112	10,533	10,275	11,246	10,762	2.9	-4.3	2.4
Madisonville	1.00	797	0	40,168	3,393	2,194	6,302	4,379	2,314	3,337	4,649	37.0	39.3	
Mamou	1.00	3,219	137,084	139,394	10,479	12,210	22,928	27,893	10,847	15,968	14,099	34.5	-11.7	28.1
Mandeville	1.00	6,806	482,016	730,924	63,260	66,843	102,360	63,848	63,682	69,829	77,907	23.2	11.6	57.5
Mangham	1.00	893	29,879	29,945	3,190	1,792	3,520	2,209	3,263	2,532	2,459	-22.9	-2.9	8.7
Mansfield	1.00	6,514	537,877	520,997	49,837	42,641	61,291	41,246	35,028	50,250	50,898	2.1	1.3	3.7
Many	1.00	4,087	417,268	439,539	36,463	36,045	51,401	32,754	34,824	43,473	40,495	11.1	-6.9	9.2
Marksville	1.50	5,406	545,935	551,372	46,520	47,495	56,839	41,635	43,992	46,700	46,488	-0.1	-0.5	1.5
Maurice	1.00	536	34,142	36,392	3,863	2,520	3,275	3,302	3,033	3,276	3,052	-21.0	-6.8	6.8
Melville	1.00	1,767	42,070	49,469	5,104	5,022	3,947	3,907	3,598	4,719	3,831	-24.9	-18.8	14.4
Mer Rouge	1.00	795	61,176	57,256	4,510	4,048	3,326	4,024	4,139	5,295	5,872	30.2	10.9	9.3
Mermentau	1.00	773	10,367	30,598	640	1,774	1,183	849	680	1,180	930	45.3	-21.2	182.4
Merryville	1.00	1,320	10,276	35,486	3,014	3,177	3,352	2,474	2,618	2,172	2,796	-7.2	28.7	
Minden	1.00	14,974	1,000,004	1,042,468	86,289	79,628	116,299	76,269	98,452	90,756				
Monroe	2.50	58,520	6,818,656	11,737,497	1,012,965	1,100,310	1,487,852	975,969	906,123	1,193,676	1,084,167	7.0	-9.2	63.0
Moreauville	1.00	1,002	32,836	32,657	2,855	2,404	2,156	3,061	2,691	3,232	3,715	30.1	14.9	-0.6
Morgan City	0.30	16,205	695,592	570,729	41,521	40,894	50,325	43,376	44,440	44,239				
Morse	1.00	858	23,774	19,703	1,594	1,186	1,645	1,876	1,398	1,711	1,827	14.6	6.8	-5.9
Napoleonville	1.00	835	64,428	68,400	4,530	4,792	9,017	4,725	4,210	6,900	5,681	25.4	-17.7	6.2
Natchitoches	2.00	17,200	2,413,001	2,577,179	207,503	224,812	269,679	202,957	208,906	247,326	218,779	5.4	-11.5	12.4
New Iberia	1.75	33,500	4,822,597	4,032,129	324,267	322,676	487,894	295,548	297,783	375,221	342,959	5.8	-8.6	-4.8
New Llano	1.00	2,352	52,448	60,405	3,710	6,490	6,440	3,432	10,872	A 7,780	6,115	64.8	-21.4	26.7
New Orleans	3.50	567,062	100,521,751	119,506,769	10,334,138	10,044,652	11,834,064	9,351,490	11,167,949	10,112,720	11,709,501	13.3	15.8	10.7
New Roads	1.00	5,152	292,460	345,446	20,668	35,716	45,635	38,071	38,604	38,931	38,627	86.9	-0.8	65.7
Oak Grove	1.00	2,215	239,793	244,243	20,613	18,711	27,793	17,459	18,683	23,193	20,852	1.2	-10.1	5.5
Oakdale	1.00	7,316	342,333	340,258	27,327	29,280	40,427	25,363	25,162	29,028	28,204	3.2	-2.8	4.7
Oberlin	1.00	1,776	60,965	67,251	5,235	6,693	5,496	6,163	3,969	7,955	5,615	7.3	-29.4	10.5
Oil City	1.00	1,510	102,852	98,734	6,546	8,562	11,595	8,058	9,848	11,642	11,660	78.1	0.2	20.6
Opelousas	2.00	19,308	2,952,306	2,916,910	231,430	249,288	336,939	214,342	221,528	251,326	250,714	8.3	-0.2	3.0
Pearl River	1.00	1,819	70,254	69,583	5,103	5,480	7,103	6,123	5,292	4,352	5,669	11.1	30.3	1.1

Collections For Indicated Month Based On Sales For Preceding Month

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Categories	Rate	Pop	1982	1983	May 83	Dec 83	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	Apr 84	May 84	Percent Change Latest Month Same Month Prior Year	Percent Change Latest Month Prior Month	Percent Change Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
Pine Prairie	2.00	775	33,624	39,184	3,121	2,920	3,102	3,673	3,311	3,348	4,453	42.7	33.0	42.8
Pineville	1.00	12,382	722,684	774,482	60,286	65,996	74,162	60,088	64,522	67,624	73,506	21.9	8.7	10.8
Plain Dealing	1.00	1,215	68,044	81,171	6,120	6,462	8,303	6,842	5,950	7,642	6,583	7.6	-13.9	12.7
Plaqme(d)	1.00	26,778	4,366,988	3,722,819	361,728	281,536	357,796	568,645	361,225	312,953	304,883	-15.7	-2.6	-0.8
Plaucheville	1.00	196	12,027	9,977	1,069	702	829	748	688	692	736	-31.2	6.4	-16.4
Pleasant Hill	1.00	860	17,876	14,283	685	1,387	1,654	1,383	993	1,386	1,385	102.2	-0.1	18.1
Pollock	1.00	459	11,015	14,474	1,043	1,274	1,447	989	1,058	1,334				
Ponchatoula	2.00	5,559	499,239	766,559	60,819	68,407	93,107	58,995	59,863	63,335	66,026	8.6	4.2	21.7
Port Allen	1.00	6,183	333,254	335,693	30,661	25,880	23,263	30,381	23,655	24,271	28,274	-7.8	16.5	-3.3
Port Barre	1.00	2,849	109,974	88,229	8,720	6,563	7,153	5,876	5,369	7,797	7,717	-11.5	-1.0	-9.4
Rayne	2.00	9,136	872,013	806,501	61,131	57,620	98,867	54,659	56,747	76,996	59,958	-1.9	-22.1	-3.7
Rayville	1.50	4,790	469,528	499,609	42,168	40,323	57,470	36,266	35,168	44,708	42,877	1.7	-4.1	2.5
Richmond	1.00	513	20,654	21,322	1,740	3,782	1,642	777	1,579	1,999	2,084	19.8	4.3	4.1
Ringold	1.00	1,728	69,232	64,197	6,723									
Roseland	2.00	1,327	39,251	59,365	4,847	4,554	5,156	5,721	5,588	5,421	5,797	19.6	6.9	21.6
Rosepine	1.00	1,001	16,930	19,199	1,752	1,323	1,898	1,661	1,459	1,376	4,641	164.9	237.3	12.0
Ruston	0.50	21,747	780,298	843,297	75,428	85,001	62,304	66,766	77,720	73,182	76,482	1.4	4.5	9.1
Sarepta	1.00	816	16,258	17,059	1,087	1,751	1,738	857	918	788	1,006	-7.5	27.7	3.8
Scott	2.00	3,731	293,422	292,385	25,571	22,096	31,023	25,405	26,049	28,343	48,278	88.8	70.3	17.2
Shreveport	2.00	207,579	26,088,616	26,216,545	2,063,996	2,282,723	2,757,201	2,592,739	2,643,716	3,164,897	3,054,780	48.0	-3.5	15.9
Sibley	1.00	1,227	10,770	9,971	810	638	1,096	1,169	696	1,027	755	-6.8	-26.5	
Simmesport	1.00	2,313	20,647	87,813	7,925	8,433	8,491	6,686	6,656	8,147	7,486	-5.5	-8.1	
Slidell	1.00	27,246	2,404,696	2,518,014	199,651	209,767	309,042	218,119	207,573	243,075	245,914	23.2	1.2	11.0
Sorrento		1,369	25,941	28,428	2,135	2,537	2,333	2,437	2,356	2,202	3,097	45.1	40.6	13.9
Springfield	1.00	459	21,258	26,665	2,381	2,313	2,022	2,272	1,807	2,592	2,440	2.5	-5.9	10.0
Springhill	1.00	6,536	493,754	511,062	39,178	39,720	58,666	37,121	39,006	47,419	41,175	5.1	-13.2	6.7
St Charles CC	1.00	41,103	3,441,316	3,252,145	235,189	266,066	482,024	303,775	314,552	420,577	329,939	40.3	-21.6	26.7
St Francisville	1.00	1,553	176,806	217,609	16,106	22,528	25,044	14,991	17,150	20,021	18,286	13.5	-8.7	12.5
St James		21,970	1,847,386	3,573,199	227,333	263,963	246,135	271,204	364,914	252,918	280,300	23.3	10.8	53.4
St Martinville	1.00	8,331	407,486	381,453	30,613	32,779	37,665	31,304	28,807	35,426	32,025	4.6	-9.6	-3.9
St Mary	1.75	66,950	13,779,469	10,448,389	878,256	918,304	1,046,664	769,773	883,718	856,876				
St Mary(a)	0.30	66,950	0	146,385		28,143	46,683	29,135	36,296	34,859				
St Mary(b)	0.30	66,950	0	91,251		30,695	39,881	26,419	32,253	32,383				
Sterlington	1.50	1,437	0	4,161		4,161	4,168	5,018	4,127	5,102	4,905		-3.9	
Sulphur	2.00	20,470	2,792,089	2,770,534	234,841	221,450	284,257	212,408	208,116	237,367	243,336	3.6	2.5	1.0
Sun	1.00	404	5,200	10,946	1,637	3,955	455	441	734	528	487	-70.3	-7.8	17.3
Sunset	1.00	2,476	101,763	96,337	9,633	7,154	9,192	6,705	6,354	9,258	7,685	-20.2	-17.0	-7.9
Tallulah	1.00	11,381	295,620	296,284	23,674	24,537	31,559	21,535	21,091	25,361	26,203	10.7	3.3	3.4
Tangipahoa	1.00	87,863	17,356	17,386	1,302	1,340	1,322	1,288	1,191	2,139	1,482	13.8	-30.7	-12.0
Terrebonne	1.25	102,038	14,205,443	11,176,505	927,976	971,941	1,116,369	853,168	910,253	999,957	935,949	0.9	-6.4	-7.3
Thibodaux	2.00	16,219	2,655,441	2,652,765	210,297	245,501	272,065	181,197	196,582	228,406	222,313	5.7	-2.7	0.9
Tickfaw	1.00	611	23,904	0			661	279	846					
Vidalia	1.00	6,062	362,305	375,897	29,258	21,813	41,140	29,711	28,535	34,381	30,717	5.0	-10.7	-1.6
Parks	2.00	na	53,505	60,937	7,154	4,532	3,682	4,195	3,682	3,794	6,542	-8.6	72.4	-0.1
Ville Platte	2.00	9,260	530,420	537,110	44,538	41,564	65,174	37,629	42,127	76,184	84,927	90.7	11.5	16.8
Vinton	2.00	3,742	241,200	249,321	20,255	18,068	24,061	21,561	19,014	23,731	25,050	23.7	5.6	8.5
Vivian	1.00	4,315	293,515	316,868	25,767	26,611	31,642	19,986	25,149	28,602	26,780	3.9	-6.4	8.7
Walker	1.00	3,306	102,902	163,759	8,233	11,337	29,762	11,831	9,058	33,789	11,887	44.4	-64.8	46.8
Washington	1.00	1,319	48,642	47,617	5,148	3,572	3,965	3,668	5,367	3,463	2,789	-45.8	-19.5	-3.9
Welsh	1.00	3,582	201,291	174,659	14,174	14,784	15,309	13,233	15,372	18,384	13,504	-4.7	-26.5	-0.9
W Ascensn(c)	0.50	54,618	355,415	342,371	22,103	29,871	34,947	25,124	27,472	38,411	32,430	46.7	-15.6	7.3
W B Rouge	1.00	20,168	1,625,430	1,585,171	116,255	102,361	179,224	578,767	112,752	114,092	162,603	39.9	42.5	30.7
W Monre	1.50	15,107	2,371,683	2,819,041	247,656	263,308	315,712	219,959	202,059	265,242	248,197	0.2	-6.4	16.9
Westlake	2.00	5,525	603,994	611,502	50,017	47,517	60,007	49,990	57,594	49,979				
Winnsboro	1.00	6,033	558,502	560,795	42,340	47,232	65,970	37,494	39,736	51,988	47,248	11.6	-9.1	5.7
Wisner	1.00	1,430	65,661	68,956	5,645	5,818	7,456	5,384	5,640	6,159	5,922	4.9	-3.8	13.2
Youngsville	2.00	1,050	121,282	146,225	11,880	10,777	12,637	9,707	9,615	12,196	10,603	-10.7	-13.1	6.4
Zachary	2.00	7,746	998,209	1,095,375	99,690	110,177	147,892	75,822	87,413	91,846	105,696	6.0	15.1	7.9
Hodge	0.00	703	0	0										
Mooringsport	0.00	911	0	0				1,272	554	1,200	1,521		26.7	
Total			391,298,953	421,609,761	34,647,128	35,915,396	44,723,912	34,592,338	36,416,370	38,358,849	38,231,774	10.3	-0.3	9.9

Collections For Indicated Month Based On Sales For Preceding Month
(a) — Wards 1-4, 7, & 10
(b) — Wards 5 & 8
(c) — West Ascension Hospital Service District
(d) — Plaquemine Commission Council

Louisiana State Severence Tax Collections by Parishes

											Percent Change		
											Latest Month		Latest
	Pop	1982	1983	**Apr 83**	**Nov 83**	Dec 83	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	**Apr 84**	Same Month Prior Year	**Prior Month**	12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
Acadia	59,369	**19,792,894**	**19,345,381**	991,667	2,345,742	1,570,353	498,223	2,169,864	1,216,003	**1,594,964**	**60.8**	**31.2**	**-3.4**
Allen	21,739	**2,616,917**	**2,526,225**	158,680	199,034	235,033	210,950	360,162	209,671	**232,250**	**46.4**	**10.8**	11.5
Ascension	54,618	**1,728,485**	**1,691,156**	82,166	127,780	106,741	139,031	181,516	157,647	**139,218**	**69.4**	**-11.7**	**-6.9**
Assumption	23,995	**7,153,096**	**5,295,410**	371,588	300,474	410,861	416,859	629,459	423,474	**442,834**	**19.2**	**4.6**	**-16.8**
Avoyelles	42,715	**851,665**	**859,805**	42,259	59,066	108,446	56,194	106,108	92,620	**111,317**	**163.4**	**20.2**	18.3
Beauregard	31,207	**7,143,826**	**6,435,831**	379,859	586,498	432,503	574,928	743,954	489,073	**412,782**	**8.7**	**-15.6**	1.5
Bienville	16,288	**3,025,677**	**2,897,513**	245,022	187,179	195,545	293,588	790,772	519,995	**342,916**	**40.0**	**-34.1**	33.6
Bossier	88,370	**11,362,772**	**12,162,276**	868,517	990,013	955,818	1,056,883	1,000,902	808,676	**921,962**	**6.2**	**14.0**	1.9
Caddo	261,817	**12,505,030**	**16,008,108**	921,886	962,302	1,285,763	984,370	980,033	1,116,186	**982,055**	**6.5**	**-12.0**	-23.1
Calcasieu	176,760	**14,322,911**	**15,046,901**	716,360	1,182,129	1,451,701	1,405,460	1,745,268	1,275,271	**1,418,482**	**98.0**	**11.2**	17.0
Caldwell	10,947	**424,647**	**502,432**	47,590	43,600	36,298	38,104	54,214	27,555	**28,943**	**-39.2**	**5.0**	15.7
Cameron	10,139	**41,953,339**	**44,048,971**	2,412,955	2,328,161	4,427,029	3,346,764	5,065,241	3,497,547	**3,508,892**	**45.4**	**0.3**	8.0
Catahoula	12,326	**6,404,768**	**5,739,245**	202,440	528,272	501,479	730,286	540,338	273,749	**804,397**	**297.4**	**193.8**	11.9
Claiborne	18,367	**26,917,538**	**21,319,942**	1,535,319	1,560,940	1,720,433	1,724,946	2,050,877	1,837,099	**1,406,125**	**-8.4**	**-23.5**	-17.9
Concordia	23,577	**10,749,463**	**9,184,582**	681,979	224,103	962,389	1,462,916	1,002,597	845,751	**908,560**	**33.2**	**7.4**	3.2
Desoto	26,970	**7,824,689**	**5,891,650**	444,026	603,401	438,489	325,190	529,002	417,662	**427,309**	**-3.8**	**2.3**	-16.9
East Baton Rouge	389,503	**25,158,593**	**21,416,104**	1,042,960	793,207	2,606,934	1,013,905	2,538,368	1,907,798	**2,013,289**	**93.0**	**5.5**	-8.2
East Carroll	11,671	**15,019**	**6,569**	0	2,008	32	37	0	2,108	**665**	**-**	**-68.5**	
East Feliciana	19,939	**2,007,452**	**829,948**	55,305	13,379	55,998	52,706	76,025	68,326	**39,312**	**-28.9**	**-42.5**	-75.0
Evangeline	34,367	**6,750,984**	**6,122,665**	421,429	412,380	476,756	716,502	534,244	819,081	**634,420**	**50.5**	**-22.5**	11.0
Franklin	24,509	**476,656**	**395,259**	26,270	23,389	36,655	62,603	40,193	38,554	**50,595**	**92.6**	**31.2**	18.9
Grant	17,621	**865,413**	**465,991**	20,708	74,578	46,603	35,271	52,872	41,974	**44,908**	**116.9**	**7.0**	-27.1
Iberia	69,257	**39,406,896**	**33,521,700**	2,319,051	2,710,164	1,609,720	2,652,593	4,135,202	2,152,597	**1,392,656**	**-39.9**	**-35.3**	-13.6
Iberville	32,981	**15,863,899**	**15,327,388**	999,734	1,094,539	1,308,631	1,369,380	2,050,619	1,252,714	**713,227**	**-28.7**	**-43.1**	2.3
Jackson	17,309	**2,048,010**	**1,856,611**	149,450	190,765	166,011	180,043	203,847	180,297	**146,037**	**-2.3**	**-19.0**	1.8
Jefferson	476,915	**27,535,931**	**19,127,157**	1,397,791	1,567,715	1,921,832	1,638,337	2,400,914	1,790,201	**1,769,223**	**26.6**	**-1.2**	-21.3
Jefferson Davis	32,017	**15,362,034**	**14,320,220**	928,314	1,027,860	1,286,248	1,197,910	1,780,280	1,113,801	**1,192,040**	**28.4**	**7.0**	-5.5
Lafayette	169,694	**5,212,790**	**4,530,475**	346,503	353,809	350,686	443,695	559,342	588,735	**510,163**	**47.2**	**-13.3**	5.2
Lafourche	88,349	**64,546,371**	**56,652,150**	3,210,603	3,818,610	4,769,028	4,232,440	6,019,691	4,412,282	**4,147,368**	**29.2**	**-6.0**	-3.3
Lincoln	41,847	**5,623,062**	**5,137,179**	411,459	433,928	440,789	504,029	713,430	438,500	**352,910**	**-14.2**	**-19.5**	9.0
Livingston	66,451	**2,607,771**	**9,854,735**	162,779	945,196	1,462,253	957,872	1,348,909	1,200,846	**1,505,910**	**825.1**	**25.4**	269.0
Madison	15,894	**275,144**	**206,355**	16,340	25,074	29,875	24,309	25,953	23,710	**29,500**	**80.5**	**24.4**	20.4
Morehouse	35,183	**314,029**	**311,178**	13,301	34,395	23,407	20,176	28,404	21,598	**20,014**	**50.5**	**-7.3**	5.9
Natchitoches	40,805	**14,262,125**	**12,660,107**	1,014,971	1,109,300	1,108,527	1,115,125	1,063,879	1,024,500	**1,070,171**	**5.4**	**4.5**	-4.2
Orleans	567,062	**364,938**	**448,401**	196,113	21,542	13,858	50,625	28,529	25,147	**32,837**	**-83.3**	**30.6**	-27.3
Ouachita	142,300	**1,956,512**	**1,923,067**	157,683	125,821	149,225	173,617	226,277	138,376	**171,246**	**8.6**	**23.8**	-6.0
Plaquemines	26,778	**204,145,143**	**167,741,282**	8,433,065	11,650,493	13,750,816	18,048,242	17,653,477	12,683,502	**11,154,158**	**32.3**	**-12.1**	-14.2
Pointe Coupee	25,091	**13,688,798**	**14,004,909**	1,050,085	1,071,048	1,105,061	1,075,449	2,035,094	1,256,428	**1,102,815**	**5.0**	**-12.2**	12.3
Rapides	138,346	**2,393,945**	**1,705,830**	30,551	213,614	128,661	109,151	133,705	40,655	**216,792**	**609.6**	**433.2**	-14.4
Red River	11,114	**1,543,461**	**1,125,907**	80,073	39,890	84,718	88,393	121,313	77,440	**76,794**	**-4.1**	**-0.8**	-15.5
Richland	22,785	**12,837,375**	**8,274,241**	687,013	594,875	555,947	503,915	921,958	433,386	**492,120**	**-28.4**	**13.6**	-30.5
Sabine	27,139	**2,096,841**	**1,795,779**	96,224	148,623	155,688	128,382	146,966	155,400	**163,311**	**69.7**	**5.1**	-8.9
St. Bernard	67,949	**12,687,999**	**11,476,777**	592,780	1,582,406	774,908	1,794,219	2,224,684	1,645,006	**1,145,241**	**93.2**	**-30.4**	35.1
St. Charles	41,103	**19,169,678**	**16,058,381**	1,132,342	1,301,612	1,212,671	1,671,399	2,855,646	1,520,160	**691,821**	**-38.9**	**-54.5**	-1.2
St. Helena	10,186	**1,450,461**	**2,818,427**	178,644	111,115	245,474	461,163	275,538	285,893	**300,062**	**68.0**	**5.0**	53.2
St. James	21,970	**2,918,261**	**2,631,727**	142,518	202,219	253,329	253,113	382,081	320,975	**237,361**	**66.5**	**-26.1**	4.0
St. John	37,668	**2,490,816**	**1,632,620**	124,135	70,250	101,629	127,416	233,040	110,179	**112,122**	**-9.7**	**1.8**	-45.4
St. Landry	87,800	**9,496,744**	**7,647,160**	448,195	508,611	632,692	623,586	796,416	594,893	**577,408**	**28.8**	**-2.9**	-12.2
St. Martin	44,455	**28,387,940**	**22,857,804**	1,454,354	1,414,414	2,157,269	1,668,976	2,359,117	1,685,679	**1,492,793**	**2.6**	**-11.4**	-16.8
St. Mary	66,950	**43,836,180**	**35,009,265**	2,599,683	2,655,989	2,337,574	2,402,534	3,447,456	2,754,798	**2,015,994**	**-22.5**	**-26.8**	-19.1
St. Tammany	128,130	**261,238**	**235,989**	17,593	20,478	26,736	26,200	8,163	24,141	**23,945**	**36.1**	**-0.8**	10.5
Tangipahoa	87,863	**340,969**	**251,271**	25,676	20,045	16,714	25,855	10,863	24,842	**20,341**	**-20.8**	**-18.1**	-3.6
Tensas	8,244	**2,669,901**	**2,008,242**	130,437	50,267	200,947	252,776	160,939	150,180	**141,100**	**8.2**	**-6.0**	-15.8
Terrebonne	102,038	**79,416,441**	**63,653,019**	4,751,214	4,492,988	4,533,581	4,818,853	6,184,306	4,849,043	**4,209,223**	**-11.4**	**-13.2**	-18.0
Union	21,734	**2,934,907**	**2,737,407**	201,229	204,599	214,555	205,669	277,372	190,525	**209,212**	**4.0**	**9.8**	-4.6
Vermillion	52,445	**50,248,546**	**44,109,093**	3,313,300	2,722,488	3,482,961	3,907,894	5,397,148	3,721,793	**3,883,990**	**17.2**	**4.4**	-10.6
Vernon	61,275	**396,486**	**617,710**	106,400	40,861	43,976	35,652	53,149	46,373	**62,555**	**-41.2**	**34.9**	18.0
Washington	45,765	**233,683**	**255,728**	17,986	23,378	22,401	34,487	21,496	22,505	**23,913**	**33.0**	**6.3**	21.9
Webster	45,205	**8,145,991**	**6,475,394**	433,191	490,476	617,188	555,223	656,725	628,678	**539,233**	**24.5**	**-14.2**	-12.6
West Baton Rouge	20,168	**5,423,502**	**3,493,023**	209,566	256,232	252,549	300,549	578,524	331,669	**303,969**	**45.0**	**-8.4**	-26.0
West Carroll	13,267	**440**	**302**	12	56	111	A 28	0	0	**0**		**0.0**	
West Feliciana	13,269	**48,181**	**78,691**	2,516	2,499	12,222	2,424	876	5,962	**32,543**	**1193.4**	**445.8**	-23.1
Total Severance Tax		**925,571,870**	**806,140,457**	49,602,765	58,800,103	66,730,336	69,960,862	90,219,612	64,608,288	**60,735,650**	22.4	**-6.0**	-7.6

Economic Indicators: NEW ORLEANS METROPOLITAN AREA

							Per Cent Change		
							Latest Month		
Categories	Dec 83	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	Apr 84	**May 84**	Same Month Prior Year	**Prior Month**	Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12-Months
EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS									
Total Civilian Labor Force (000)	528.8	530.2	530.3	530.0	533.3	**537.1**	0.7	**0.7**	1.3
Total Employed (000)	480.8	482.4	484.1	487.5	491.4	**494.0**	3.7	**0.5**	2.3
Total Unemployed (000)	48.0	47.8	46.2	42.5	41.9	**43.1**	-24.9	**2.9**	-6.8
Unemployment Rate	9.1	9.0	8.7	8.0	7.9	**8.0**	-25.2	**1.3**	-8.0
Average Weekly Manufacturing Earnings	362.94	387.60	395.60	397.17	396.68	**402.36**	19.4	**1.4**	4.1
Average Weekly Manufacturing Hours	38.9	40.0	40.7	41.2	41.8	**42.0**	12.3	**0.5**	2.6
CONSTRUCTION									
Highway Construction Contracts ($ Million)			295.30	309.29	268.66	**271.13**		**0.9**	
Value Of Construction Contracts ($ Mil)									
Residential	23.1	44.4	42.3	53.3	62.1	**60.2**	-12.6	**-3.1**	37.4
Nonresidential	30.1	58.9	34.0	58.2	39.7	**66.9**	151.5	**68.5**	17.1
Number Of Construction Contracts	583	370	939	1,033	1,687	**1,118**	-18.9	**-33.7**	66.0
WELFARE ACTIVITY									
Aid To Dependent Children									
Amount Paid	4,235,413	4,244,068	4,253,399	4,270,376	4,282,307	**4,305,652**		**0.5**	
Children	50,993	51,006	50,977	51,181	51,430	**51,678**		**0.5**	
Food Stamp Information									
Coupon Val	7,146,013	7,086,767	7,154,884	7,250,310	7,212,202	**7,129,034**		**-1.2**	
Recipients	150,470	148,318	150,254	151,921	151,757	**150,838**		**-0.6**	
Medicaid Information									
Payments									
Claims									
GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY									
Beer Sales Information									
Cases Sold	1,209,867	920,987	1,245,894	1,212,565	1,264,810				
Taxed Amount	133,086	101,308	137,047	133,382	139,130				
Attendance Of Conventions And Meetings	27,610	42,923	46,415	64,203	61,853	**55,079**	-5.8	**-11.0**	-8.1
Newspaper Advertising Linage	40,705	46,915	50,646	29,699	41,947	**65,478**	30.6	**56.1**	-0.2
Telephone Lines (000)	776.6	777.1	778.3	780.8	782.2	**783.9**		**0.2**	
Total Mortgage Loans Closed ($ Mil)	147.7	149.3	116.5	120.3	149.6				
NEW ORLEANS PORT ACTIVITY (000 tons)									
Breakbulk Cargo									
Imports	135.4	172.6	264.8	202.4	254.2	**174.1**	15.5	**-31.5**	51.3
Exports	60.3	31.8	70.7	38.6	23.7	**59.1**	2.8	**149.4**	-22.5
Container Cargo									
Imports	77.7	87.5	87.7	64.6	93.5	**69.7**	3.3	**-25.5**	41.4
Exports	125.4	113.4	123.4	80.8	124.3	**74.4**	-14.7	**-40.1**	20.4
Ro-Ro Cargo									
Imports	13.5	20.4	27.0	20.0	26.2	**17.9**	-16.7	**-31.7**	34.4
Exports	22.4	44.6	42.9	43.4	33.0	**37.0**	-20.6	**12.1**	10.7
Lash & Seabee Cargo									
Imports	17.4	20.5	33.9	26.3	13.0	**37.8**	8.0	**190.8**	14.9
Exports	2.2	25.7	10.7	11.2	12.7	**5.9**	-80.3	**-53.5**	-32.6
Grain Exports	935.0	927.4	807.4	908.0	996.0	**864.8**	270.0	**-13.2**	9.9
Bulk Terminal Cargo									
Imports	127.3	100.3	122.3	141.3	168.1	**97.9**	47.9	**-41.8**	35.0
Exports	20.0	43.1	2.6	12.6	6.5	**7.1**	10.9	**9.2**	-22.2
Vessel Arrivals	305	320	279	361	352	**395**	11.6	**12.2**	-6.4
Grain Deliveries (Mil Bushels)	32.0	32.7	27.9	33.5	33.5	**29.7**	371.4	**-11.3**	11.9
Coffee Imports (000 Bags)	198.5	272.7	168.4	248.0	366.8	**259.6**	-11.0	**-29.2**	-12.1
Sugar Imports (000 Long Tons)	39.2		112.9	80.6		**63.6**	-12.6		
Duty Collected ($ Million)	13	14	16	14	17	**15**	18.7	**-12.6**	15.9
Import Cars Loaded	149	261	231	383	247	**303**	4.1	**22.7**	4.3
NEW ORLEANS AIRPORT ACTIVITY									
Cargo (Tons)	197	169	175	208					
Flight Arrivals	4,715	4,874	4,815	5,636					
Passengers (000)									
Enplaned	232.4	213.9	209.3	272.3					
Deplaned	233.5	220.8	219.0	267.3					
Mail (Tons)									
Enplaned	782.5	569.2	608.5	594.5					
Deplaned	769.8	615.8	608.5	673.3					
Freight (Tons)									
Enplaned	1214.5	897.1	1038.7	1136.9					
Deplaned	1614.9	1483.7	1594.1	1568.8					
Express (Tons)									
Enplaned	8.5	12.2	9.9	11.9					
Deplaned	38.5	27.9	23.7	27.3					
VITAL STATISTICS									
Births	1,611								
Deaths	904								
REVENUE COLLECTIONS									
Retail Sales Tax - State	16,546,132	19,938,629	14,170,909	16,086,317	17,376,073				

Economic Indicators: BATON ROUGE METROPOLITAN AREA

Categories	Dec 83	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	Apr 84	**May 84**	**Per Cent Change** Latest Month: Same Month Prior Year	**Per Cent Change** Latest Month: **Prior Month**	**Per Cent Change** Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12-Months
EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS									
Total Civilian Labor Force (000)	242.6	239.9	242.2	241.2	243.6	**244.8**	**1.7**	**0.5**	**3.4**
Total Employed (000)	222.1	219.7	222.5	223.7	226.1	**227.0**	**5.0**	**0.4**	**4.5**
Total Unemployed (000)	20.5	20.2	19.7	17.5	17.5	**17.8**	**-27.6**	**1.7**	**-7.1**
Unemployment Rate	8.4	8.4	8.1	7.2	7.2	**7.3**	**-28.4**	**1.4**	**-9.8**
Average Weekly Manufacturing Earnings	498.74	498.10	492.46	501.50	506.33	**499.48**	**6.7**	**-1.4**	**4.0**
Average Weekly Manufacturing Hours	42.7	42.5	42.6	42.9	43.8	**42.8**	**3.1**	**-2.3**	**4.0**
CONSTRUCTION									
Highway Construction Contracts ($ Mil)			32.34	33.54	29.17	**29.91**		**2.5**	
Value Of Construction Contracts ($ Mil):									
Residential	28.7	39.0	21.6	50.8	25.8	**34.0**	**51.1**	**31.8**	**95.1**
Non-residential	15.9	17.9	38.8	32.2	15.9	**14.6**	**10.6**	**-8.2**	**5.4**
Number Of Construction Contracts	474	1,230	494	991	544	**550**	**-21.4**	**1.1**	**45.0**
WELFARE ACTIVITY									
Aid To Dependent Children									
Amount Paid	1,042,078	1,0[illegible],296	1,076,980	1,092,354	1,109,447	**1,120,712**		**1.0**	
Children	12,647	12,764	12,999	13,180	13,380	**13,525**		**1.1**	
Food Stamp Information									
Coupon Value	2,453,887	2,453,571	2,517,518	2,611,453	2,612,980	**2,579,183**		**-1.3**	
Recipients	52,402	52,482	53,539	55,105	55,334	**55,076**		**-0.5**	
Medicaid Information									
Claims									
Payments									
GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY									
Beer Sales Information									
Cases Sold	302,656	341,944	412,833	439,897	471,835				
Taxed Amount	33,293	37,614	45,412	48,388	51,901				
Airline Cargo (Tons)									
Inbound	104.9	88.7	83.1	90.3	90.2	**96.7**	**30.0**	**7.2**	**9.7**
Outbound	38.0	36.6	37.1	37.7	45.2	**52.1**	**51.9**	**15.3**	**17.7**
Airline Passenger Boardings (000)	23.5	23.5	22.5	27.3	26.3	**28.0**	**4.9**	**6.5**	**10.3**
Classified Advertisement Lineage (000)	1167.5	1240.4	1270.1	1449.9	1506.6	**1499.3**	**15.5**	**-0.5**	**16.2**
Classified Advertisement Count (000)	94.7	99.9	101.9	111.3	110.9	**116.2**	**8.0**	**4.8**	**10.9**
Coal Exports ((000 Tons))									
Newspaper Advertising Lineage	4,329,373								
Telephone Lines (000)	237.4	238.5	239.6	240.5	241.2	**240.3**		**-0.4**	
Total Mortgage Loans Closed ($ Million)	17.0	15.1	20.8	26.5	15.9				
BATON ROUGE PORT ACTIVITY									
Net Tonnage Summary By Facility									
Cargo Docks		17,780	51,056		31,143	**68,617**	**33.8**	**120.3**	
Barge Terminal		8,230	19,276		12,195	**15,090**	**18.7**	**23.7**	
Molasses Terminal		6,540	21,207		5,894	**21,496**	**-45.6**	**264.7**	
Petroleum Terminal		103,144	159,634		159,276	**156,817**	**-42.3**	**-1.5**	
MS Bulk Facility		3,528	29,043		20,031	**20,730**	**-87.9**	**3.5**	
Grand Total		139,222	280,216		228,539	**282,750**	**-48.3**	**23.7**	
VITAL STATISTICS									
Births	801								
Deaths	296								
REVENUE COLLECTIONS									
Retail Sales Tax - State	7,306,373	8,807,767	[illegible],995,880	6,220,230	7,223,560				

New Cars & Trucks Sales - New Orleans Area

													Percent Change		
													Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	Dec 83	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	Apr 84	**May 84**	Same Prior Year	**Prior Month**	
NEW CAR SALES															
Buick	352	331	435	295	348	327	314	362	360	275	385	**401**	20.1	**4.2**	
Cadillac	131	145	148	131	117	135	164	130	127	107	138	**169**	7.6	**22.5**	
Chevrolet	498	405	547	384	429	476	494	444	433	519	429	**499**	-3.5	**16.3**	
Chrylser	67	68	70	65	82	58	45	53	54	55	52	**91**	56.9	**75.0**	
Datsun	312	265	329	277	198	186	317	282	265	222	234	**254**	-21.1	**8.5**	
Dodge	193	168	168	132	120	132	145	151	127	127	131	**155**	8.4	**18.3**	
Ford	580	589	583	724	608	420	506	454	629	551	608	**597**	16.4	**-1.8**	
Honda	132	80	133	114	122	105	164	124	121	111	179	**160**	90.5	**-10.6**	
Lincoln	80	68	91	86	101	117	61	66	48	68	87	**71**	1.4	**-18.4**	
Mazda	73	72	101	80	62	69	53	62	76	60	59	**92**	21.1	**55.9**	
Mercury	196	144	196	141	139	163	156	145	204	168	168	**220**	15.2	**31.0**	
Oldsmobile	617	638	613	366	483	504	451	459	492	507	479	**589**	13.3	**23.0**	
Plymouth	41	58	52	43	52	52	47	83	46	62	41	**59**	-33.0	**43.9**	
Pontiac	179	163	204	152	205	192	185	284	221	307	262	**345**	122.6	**31.7**	
Renault	81	45	75	39	54	42	52	37	29	35	32	**36**	-30.8	**12.5**	
Toyota	333	327	338	222	242	261	254	276	275	193	162	**180**	-29.1	**11.1**	
Volkswagen	47	37	33	41	32	29	28	50	31	31	22	**44**	12.8	**100.0**	
Volvo	59	37	40	33	36	30	37	31	41	59	40	**43**	-30.6	**7.5**	
Other	237	167	214	219	181	171	208	262	162	190	183	**255**	28.8	**39.3**	
Total Car Sales	4,208	3,807	4,370	3,544	3,611	3,469	3,681	3,755	3,741	3,647	3,691	**4,260**	11.1	**15.4**	
NEW TRUCK SALES															
Chevrolet	322	300	441	296	337	319	395	331	344	358	410	**416**	32.9	**1.5**	
Datsun	52	75	72	58	43	16	62	54	108	89	61	**96**	123.3	**57.4**	
Dodge	198	143	142	111	104	110	126	126	154	146	147	**182**	34.8	**23.8**	
Ford	649	503	559	499	514	493	482	471	465	533	565	**574**	2.5	**1.6**	
GMC	68	47	52	48	49	41	34	43	47	43	45	**69**	30.2	**53.3**	
Mazda	26	18	35	26	14	17	29	29	32	32	19	**35**	218.2	**84.2**	
Toyota	141	120	142	131	73	67	114	156	216	131	142	**183**	173.1	**28.9**	
Other	69	46	73	63	76	95	100	102	88	107	159	**146**	114.7	**-8.2**	
Total Truck Sales	1,525	1,252	1,516	1,232	1,210	1,158	1,342	1,312	1,454	1,439	1,548	**1,701**	36.1	**9.9**	

New Cars & Trucks Sales - Baton Rouge Area

	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	Dec 83	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	Apr 84	**May 84**		
NEW CAR SALES														
Buick	155	83	197	110	135	105	122	130	117	116	104	**151**	21.8	**45.2**
Cadillac	71	44	63	73	53	59	58	82	49	37	76	**42**	20.0	**-44.7**
Chevrolet	267	212	218	184	205	237	201	254	214	227	213	**280**	66.7	**31.5**
Chrysler	55	43	58	69	41	52	40	37	41	34	32	**45**	9.8	**40.6**
Datsun	187	132	168	164	129	124	136	144	133	98	92	**99**	-27.7	**7.6**
Dodge	43	33	37	36	33	27	28	22	50	22	28	**63**	117.2	**125.0**
Ford	265	202	237	204	164	202	243	228	184	214	215	**197**	18.0	**-8.4**
Honda	49	36	59	38	95	55	52	75	75	61	93	**78**	85.7	**-16.1**
Lincoln	34	15	32	46	32	11	22	12	21	35	21	**25**	66.7	**19.0**
Mazda	28	31	24	28	33	17	24	11	17	17	17	**23**	15.0	**35.3**
Mercury	57	40	65	60	51	49	51	57	83	67	80	**63**	37.0	**-21.3**
Oldsmobile	264	111	282	208	207	166	183	187	203	186	190	**183**	4.6	**-3.7**
Plymouth	28	28	31	32	17	29	14	14	23	34	25	**30**	25.0	**20.0**
Pontiac	185	115	184	153	162	168	119	141	148	144	153	**141**	11.9	**-7.8**
Renault	0	1	10	13	13	12	8	13	13	10	2	**0**		
Toyota	256	283	330	287	246	294	265	298	273	192	163	**145**	-39.8	**-11.0**
Volkswagen	23	7	15	18	11	8	12	21	13	22	22	**21**	-12.5	**-4.5**
Volvo	54	23	84	49	41	40	47	48	54	69	64	**49**	28.9	**-23.4**
Other	129	138	128	110	114	72	80	92	103	79	81	**109**	32.9	**34.6**
Total Car Sales	2,150	1,577	2,222	1,882	1,782	1,727	1,705	1,866	1,814	1,664	1,671	**1,744**	13.7	**4.4**
NEW TRUCK SALES														
Chevrolet	242	194	204	184	191	202	159	212	174	229	247	**190**	28.4	**-23.1**
Datsun	35	22	62	32	35	25	21	35	117	86	37	**66**	200.0	**78.4**
Dodge	143	60	119	128	82	88	89	104	102	141	130	**137**	19.1	**5.4**
Ford	285	261	305	266	210	243	270	277	230	254	300	**224**	-4.7	**-25.3**
GMC	49	34	38	22	39	35	27	30	35	26	38	**56**	60.0	**47.4**
Mazda	23	18	31	18	34	24	35	32	34	20	24	**31**	416.7	**29.2**
Toyota	251	202	293	282	283	173	186	341	307	227	201	**276**	87.8	**37.3**
Other	48	52	56	40	44	44	60	62	47	37	50	**71**	39.2	**42.0**
Total Truck Sales	1,076	843	1,108	972	918	834	847	1,093	1,046	1,020	1,027	**1,051**	38.5	**2.3**

Economic Indicators: LAFAYETTE METROPOLITAN AREA

							Per Cent Change		
							Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12-Months
Categories	Dec 83	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	Apr 84	**May 84**	Same Month Prior Year	**Prior Month**	
EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS									
Total Civilian Labor Force (000)	94.8	95.3	96.0	96.4	96.3	**96.7**	-1.0	**0.4**	0.2
Total Employed (000)	88.0	88.5	89.6	90.6	90.7	**91.0**	1.7	**0.3**	-0.6
Total Unemployed (000)	6.8	6.8	6.4	5.8	5.6	**5.7**	-30.5	**1.8**	10.9
Unemployment Rate	7.1	7.1	6.7	6.1	5.8	**5.9**	-28.0	**1.7**	11.0
CONSTRUCTION									
Highway Construction Contracts ($ Mil)	14.11	14.11	14.11	20.10	19.76	**19.76**		**0.0**	
Value Of Construction Contracts ($ Mil)									
Residential	18.4	13.9	8.4	10.3	22.6	**17.4**	141.7	**-23.0**	-2.6
Nonresidential	1.8	3.1	13.8	2.5	8.3	**13.3**	27.9	**60.2**	-22.8
Number Of Construction Contracts	538	261	173	134	418	**412**	174.7	**-1.4**	32.5
WELFARE ACTIVITY									
Aid To Dependent Children									
Amount Paid	197,975	201,609	203,454	208,861	210,893	**206,000**		**-2.3**	
Children	2,639	2,696	2,713	2,790	2,810	**2,744**		**-2.3**	
Food Stamp Information									
Coupon Value	532,016	534,450	562,023	578,425	577,999	**551,505**		**-4.6**	
Recipients	11,784	11,892	12,391	12,802	12,911	**12,524**		**-3.0**	
Medicaid Information									
Claims									
Payments									
GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY									
Beer Sales Information									
Cases Sold	176,795	133,158	177,919	174,936	187,402				
Taxed Amount	19,448	14,647	19,571	19,243	20,614				
Airline Cargo (Tons)	13	14	17	17	24	**23**	-14.8	**-4.2**	-20.6
Airline Passenger Boardings (000)	7.0	8.0	8.0	9.0	9.0	**10.0**	-2.0	**11.1**	-9.9
Telephone Lines (000)	157.2	157.4	157.8	158.1	158.2	**183.4**		**15.9**	
Total Mortgage Loans Closed ($ Mil)	9.3	10.0	6.4	5.1	5.8				
VITAL STATISTICS									
Births	213								
Deaths	89								
REVENUE COLLECTIONS									
Retail Sales Tax - State	3,145,881	4,337,235	3,033,640	3,088,381	3,426,147				

New Cars & Trucks Sales - Lafayette Area

	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	Dec 83	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	Apr 84	**May 84**		
NEW CAR SALES														
Buick	55	34	50	58	39	56	38	37	58	56	48	**64**	52.4	**33.3**
Cadillac	28	33	29	36	26	37	22	28	37	19	29	**38**	46.2	**31.0**
Chevrolet	74	56	92	71	67	80	77	84	85	104	109	**115**	45.6	**5.5**
Chrysler	31	26	19	23	24	16	22	27	27	31	13	**20**	25.0	**53.8**
Datsun	59	49	77	66	63	41	56	66	62	42	44	**50**	-5.7	**13.6**
Dodge	11	15	23	16	13	20	11	15	18	18	24	**18**	28.6	**-25.0**
Ford	75	76	72	40	85	80	29	143	73	101	72	**132**	22.2	**83.3**
Honda	18	23	20	22	19	19	24	21	36	19	34	**39**	333.3	**14.[illegible]**
Lincoln	10	15	20	26	14	13	18	7	13	22	20	**14**	40.0	**-30.0**
Mazda	36	22	35	22	31	31	16	16	25	22	18	**17**	21.4	**-5.6**
Mercury	31	29	22	26	22	19	25	28	30	31	25	**34**	9.7	**36.0**
Oldsmobile	67	37	66	56	71	71	56	52	51	59	72	**57**	-3.4	**-20.8**
Plymouth	6	5	8	7	6	30	12	13	25	10	4	**12**	50.0	**200.0**
Pontiac	35	47	35	43	43	39	42	59	42	63	69	**61**	64.9	**-11.6**
Renault	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	**0**		
Toyota	29	28	25	23	32	24	16	26	26	23	23	**27**	0.0	**17.4**
Volkswagen	14	10	10	11	4	14	13	13	20	1	25	**30**	275.0	**20.0**
Volvo	14	15	15	12	10	11	14	12	9	20	23	**18**	38.5	**-21.7**
Other	45	46	41	45	28	40	48	33	51	21	62	**75**	102.7	**21.0**
Total Car Sales	638	566	659	603	597	641	539	680	688	662	714	**821**	38.9	**15.0**
NEW TRUCK SALES														
Chevrolet	91	86	91	91	126	101	93	92	90	115	123	**146**	39.0	**18.7**
Datsun	23	23	23	22	19	7	19	16	42	16	27	**30**	76.5	**11.1**
Dodge	37	18	24	23	34	33	29	46	50	44	61	**51**	54.5	**-16.4**
Ford	78	52	76	84	90	92	46	135	112	83	86	**105**	26.5	**22.1**
GMC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	**0**		
Mazda	18	12	17	15	18	16	17	13	29	22	10	**32**	300.0	**220.0**
Toyota	13	9	8	22	13	7	6	11	15	19	18	**23**	155.6	**27.8**
Other	10	3	6	4	1	11	4	10	13	21	19	**9**	200.0	**-52.6**
Total Truck Sales	270	203	245	261	301	267	214	323	351	320	344	**396**	53.5	**15.1**

Economic Indicators: ALEXANDRIA METROPOLITAN AREA

Categories	Dec 83	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	Apr 84	May 84	Per Cent Change		
							Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
							Same Month Prior Year	Prior Month	
EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS									
Total Civilian Labor Force (000)	76.3	76.6	77.0	76.8	77.3	**77.5**	**0.3**	**0.3**	**2.5**
Total Employed (000)	68.6	68.4	69.0	69.6	70.3	**70.5**	**3.5**	**0.3**	**4.6**
Total Unemployed (000)	7.7	8.2	8.0	7.2	7.0	**7.0**	**-23.9**	**0.0**	**-12.1**
Unemployment Rate	10.2	10.8	10.4	9.4	9.2	**9.1**	**-24.2**	**-1.1**	**-13.8**
CONSTRUCTION									
Highway Construction Contracts ($ Mil)			69.17	69.17	69.73	**69.36**		**-0.5**	
Value Of Construction Contracts ($ Mil)									
Residential	7.5	2.1	3.7	5.0	4.2	**5.4**	**12.5**	**28.6**	**54.2**
Nonresidential	1.0	2.0	4.3	0.9	1.5	**1.6**	**-52.9**	**6.7**	**-10.9**
Number Of Construction Contracts	161	40	59	73	70	**109**	**32.9**	**55.7**	**60.4**
WELFARE ACTIVITY									
Aid To Dependent Children									
Amount Paid	28,552	28,289	28,218	27,638	27,895	**29,692**		**6.4**	
Children	368	369	457	368	368	**394**		**7.1**	
Food Stamp Information									
Coupon Value	829,015	845,208	877,871	898,611	891,936	**835,945**		**-6.3**	
Recipients	19,221	19,361	20,101	20,558	20,623	**19,946**		**-3.3**	
Medicaid Information									
Claims									
Payments									
GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY									
Beer Sales Information									
Cases Sold	99,083	83,676	103,459	103,258	118,343				
Taxed Amount	10,899	9,205	11,380	11,358	13,018				
Airline Cargo (Tons)	11	9	10	5	4	**3**	**-91.7**	**-25.0**	**-47.4**
Airline Passenger Boardings (000)	3.6	3.6	3.3	3.7	3.7	**3.8**	**-26.9**	**2.7**	**-2.9**
Newspaper Advertising Lineage	2,396,576	1,763,566							
Telephone Lines (000)	98.1	98.0	98.5	98.5	98.6	**98.8**		**0.2**	
Total Mortgage Loans Closed ($ Mil)									
VITAL STATISTICS									
Births	197								
Deaths	107								
REVENUE COLLECTIONS									
Retail Sales Tax - State	213,081	1,395,785	1,001,870	1,035,275	1,196,609				

New Cars & Trucks Sales - Alexandria Area

	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	Dec 83	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	Apr 84	May 84		
NEW CAR SALES														
Buick	40	22	43	38	32	38	25	29	24	39	44	**27**	-18.2	**-38.6**
Cadillac	16	13	10	10	7	8	14	8	7	15	7	**10**	-9.1	**42.9**
Chevrolet	71	38	41	35	49	43	44	72	52	55	71	**58**	7.4	**-18.3**
Chrysler	4	12	10	6	5	4	3	3	9	3	6	**7**	0.0	**16.7**
Datsun	26	17	26	33	23	25	20	22	22	17	15	**18**	-50.0	**20.0**
Dodge	9	7	7	5	5	7	5	11	7	9	9	**8**	0.0	**-11.1**
Ford	70	41	56	39	59	51	50	56	65	54	36	**59**	22.9	**63.9**
Honda	14	12	23	14	16	27	15	26	28	26	25	**18**	38.5	**-28.0**
Lincoln	12	8	10	13	7	10	7	8	3	8	5	**12**	-14.3	**140.0**
Mazda	16	15	12	18	17	13	9	12	11	8	11	**15**	-37.5	**36.4**
Mercury	11	3	7	13	12	25	11	14	14	28	30	**42**	600.0	**40.0**
Oldsmobile	92	96	129	74	64	98	57	81	75	93	59	**80**	11.1	**35.6**
Plymouth	1	2	14	9	5	4	12	3	8	5	4	**9**	350.0	**125.0**
Pontiac	44	30	35	39	43	34	28	33	36	36	32	**34**	-20.9	**6.3**
Renault	2	2	5	0	2	0	2	1	8	8	6	**3**		**-50.0**
Toyota	22	15	26	11	18	9	12	13	19	6	15	**11**	-54.2	**-26.7**
Volkswagen	0	0	0	3	1	5	3	2	2	1	1	**4**	100.0	**300.0**
Volvo	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	**0**		
Other	31	12	27	11	32	12	9	9	21	10	14	**20**	-39.4	**42.9**
Total Car Sales	481	345	481	371	397	413	326	403	411	421	390	**435**	1.2	**11.5**
NEW TRUCK SALES														
Chevrolet	65	57	47	46	66	66	72	48	52	53	70	**42**	-26.3	**-40.0**
Datsun	7	13	11	8	12	4	7	10	18	8	13	**13**	116.7	**0.0**
Dodge	18	18	27	16	17	17	16	34	34	31	30	**14**	-6.7	**-53.3**
Ford	95	59	82	75	109	77	114	85	94	87	81	**98**	8.9	**21.0**
GMC	13	14	15	14	16	19	18	15	8	13	14	**24**	84.6	**71.4**
Mazda	7	8	20	7	16	15	9	8	12	18	2	**16**	166.7	**700.0**
Toyota	16	10	14	7	8	6	5	17	11	9	14	**15**	-11.8	**7.1**
Other	21	9	13	14	22	17	21	14	14	18	22	**29**	93.3	**31.8**
Total Truck Sales	242	188	229	187	266	221	262	231	243	237	246	**251**	14.6	**2.0**

Economic Indicators: LAKE CHARLES METROPOLITAN AREA

Categories	Dec 83	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	Apr 84	May 84	Per Cent Change		
							Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
							Same Month Prior Year	Prior Month	
EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS									
Total Civilian Labor Force (000)	77.0	76.7	76.1	75.9	75.7	**75.4**	**-4.6**	**-0.4**	**-1.1**
Total Employed (000)	66.0	65.1	65.2	65.5	65.7	**65.3**	**-3.5**	**-0.6**	**-1.0**
Total Unemployed (000)	11.0	11.6	10.9	10.4	10.0	**10.1**	**-10.6**	**1.0**	**-1.5**
Unemployment Rate	14.3	15.2	14.4	13.7	13.2	**13.4**	**-6.3**	**1.5**	**-0.5**
CONSTRUCTION									
Highway Construction Contracts ($ Mil)			12.28	10.64	8.76	**17.27**		**97.1**	
Value Of Construction Contracts ($ Mil)									
Residential	5.1	3.8	2.4	3.7	4.6	**2.6**	**-25.7**	**-43.5**	**-2.9**
Nonresidential	11.3	5.0	4.9	3.4	11.5	**2.0**	**53.8**	**-82.6**	**-86.5**
Number Of Construction Contracts	69	44	47	86	94	**53**	**-64.7**	**-43.6**	**-19.1**
WELFARE ACTIVITY									
Aid To Dependent Children									
Amount Paid	305,299	310,227	312,155	321,955	326,930	**334,274**		**2.2**	
Children	3,832	3,927	3,938	4,055	4,099	**4,202**		**2.5**	
Food Stamp Information									
Coupon Value	879,983	898,696	921,561	992,393	1,018,337	**979,806**		**-3.8**	
Recipients	18,910	19,402	20,114	21,238	21,765	**21,271**		**-2.3**	
Medicaid Information									
Claims									
Payments									
GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY									
Beer Sales Information									
Cases Sold	143,502	121,754	143,561	148,869	170,164				
Taxed Amount	15,785	13,393	15,791	16,376	18,718				
Airline Cargo (Tons)	8.0	6.0	8.0	7.0	5.0	**5.0**	**0.0**	**0.0**	**17.4**
Airline Passenger Boardings (000)	3.0	3.0	3.0	4.0	3.4	**3.8**	**26.7**	**11.8**	**-1.0**
Newspaper Advertising Lineage									
Telephone Lines (000)	117.6	117.5	117.7	117.8	118.0	**92.8**		**-21.4**	
Total Mortgage Loans Closed ($ Mil)									
LAKE CHARLES PORT ACTIVITY									
Port Shipments (000 Tons)									
Imports					151.6	**103.6**		**-31.7**	
Exports					296.3	**346.6**		**17.0**	
Private Facilities (000 Tons)									
Imports					654.3	**808.6**		**23.6**	
Exports					419.7	**519.9**		**23.9**	
VITAL STATISTICS									
Births	276								
Deaths	127								
REVENUE COLLECTIONS									
Retail Sales Tax - State	1,946,451	2,235,490	1,585,443	1,676,471	1,927,083				

New Cars & Trucks Sales - Lake Charles Area

	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	Dec 83	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	Apr 84	May 84		
NEW CAR SALES														
Buick	49	42	41	54	47	37	52	39	74	54	52	**40**	-16.7	**-23.1**
Cadillac	17	11	9	15	5	10	16	14	13	8	6	**17**	21.4	**183.3**
Chevrolet	95	70	75	86	78	78	95	84	59	97	109	**104**	10.6	**-4.6**
Chrysler	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	**2**		
Datsun	58	46	58	46	50	40	44	58	46	32	41	**43**	-14.0	**4.9**
Dodge	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	**2**		
Ford	66	61	54	46	63	41	51	49	71	76	74	**99**	62.3	**33.8**
Honda	11	13	18	13	17	28	12	27	17	32	22	**18**	80.0	**-18.2**
Lincoln	1	12	11	26	18	12	7	3	7	13	16	**16**	60.0	**0.0**
Mazda	6	4	9	9	13	4	5	3	6	6	5	**3**	-62.5	**-40.0**
Mercury	26	28	13	24	28	22	23	16	23	31	22	**43**	95.5	**95.5**
Oldsmobile	84	71	72	89	80	63	65	46	53	64	65	**85**	13.3	**30.8**
Plymouth	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	**2**		
Pontiac	50	82	61	62	67	68	42	73	70	87	58	**71**	36.5	**22.4**
Renault	4	2	2	4	3	6	1	11	2	12	6	**8**	100.0	**33.3**
Toyota	23	19	31	20	11	23	15	15	14	9	17	**17**	-26.1	**0.0**
Volkswagen	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	**0**		
Volvo	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	**0**		
Other	7	11	8	16	7	9	8	14	12	6	11	**14**	-12.5	**27.3**
Total Car Sales	497	472	462	510	487	441	436	452	467	527	504	**584**	19.9	**15.9**
NEW TRUCK SALES														
Chevrolet	89	82	95	86	93	90	78	95	94	101	97	**90**	11.1	**-7.2**
Datsun	24	27	23	19	22	12	12	15	44	36	17	**23**	130.0	**35.3**
Dodge	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	**8**		**700.0**
Ford	85	81	91	76	91	74	119	89	83	89	100	**121**	-51.2	**21.0**
GMC	55	66	61	41	90	71	52	52	49	64	62	**86**	28.4	**38.7**
Mazda	4	2	6	4	4	3	6	2	5	10	2	**4**	33.3	**100.0**
Toyota	11	10	14	8	8	5	9	7	11	10	11	**11**	10.0	**0.0**
Other	9	12	11	18	15	9	16	23	13	10	14	**41**	310.0	**192.9**
Total Truck Sales	277	280	301	252	323	264	292	283	299	320	304	**384**	47.1	**26.3**

Economic Indicators: SHREVEPORT METROPOLITAN AREA

							Per Cent Change		
							Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12-Months
Categories	Dec 83	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	Apr 84	**May 84**	Same Month Prior Year	**Prior Month**	
EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS									
Total Civilian Labor Force (000)	169.2	167.8	168.3	169.5	170.5	**171.9**	0.4	**0.8**	1.8
Total Employed (000)	152.8	151.7	153.4	156.0	157.8	**159.6**	5.6	**1.1**	3.0
Total Unemployed (000)	16.4	16.1	14.9	13.5	12.7	**12.3**	-38.8	**-3.1**	-11.1
Unemployment Rate	9.7	9.6	8.9	8.0	7.4	**7.1**	-39.3	**-4.1**	-12.6
Average Weekly Manufacturing Earnings	407.54	406.19	415.75	410.31	410.98	**414.83**	13.3	**0.9**	12.8
Average Weekly Manufacturing Hours	41.0	42.4	41.7	42.3	42.5	**42.2**	7.9	**-0.7**	2.8
CONSTRUCTION									
Highway Construction Contracts ($ Mil)	12.45	12.45	94.71	94.83	94.92	**94.50**		**-0.4**	
Value Of Construction Contracts ($ Mil)									
Residential	28.9	10.5	30.9	18.7	12.4	**19.4**	106.4	**56.5**	71.6
Nonresidential	3.9	24.0	6.1	6.8	6.2	**15.7**	-6.5	**153.2**	-23.8
Number Of Construction Contracts	766	331	887	531	248	**504**	161.1	**103.2**	113.2
WELFARE ACTIVITY									
Aid To Dependent Children									
Amount Paid	846,662	864,545	879,103	888,978	896,821	**894,212**		**-0.3**	
Children	11,093	11,284	11,469	11,584	11,689	**11,665**		**-0.2**	
Food Stamp Information									
Coupon Value	2,199,016	2,229,118	2,257,167	2,309,604	2,295,915	**2,209,390**		**-3.8**	
Recipients	49,419	49,872	50,846	51,723	51,680	**50,405**		**-2.5**	
Medicaid Information									
Claims									
Payments									
GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY									
Beer Sales Information									
Cases Sold	274,449	291,149	336,441	320,275	382,523				
Taxed Amount	30,190	32,026	37,009	35,230	42,077				
Airline Cargo (Tons)	964	935	828	982	812	**968**	41.7	**19.2**	22.8
Airline Passenger Boardings (000)	27.0	25.0	24.0	27.0	27.0	**30.0**	-18.7	**11.1**	-11.6
Newspaper Advertising Lineage									
Telephone Lines (000)	188.6	188.7	189.2	189.8	190.5	**191.2**		**0.4**	
Total Mortgage Loans Closed ($ Mil)	11.3	3.5	1.4	10.1	8.1				
VITAL STATISTICS									
Births	541								
Deaths	305								
REVENUE COLLECTIONS									
Retail Sales Tax - State	4,307,184	5,336,106	3,904,949	3,973,289	4,723,394				

New Cars & Trucks Sales - Shreveport Area

	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	Dec 83	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	Apr 84	**May 84**		
NEW CAR SALES														
Buick	91	93	119	76	105	82	64	105	74	76	112	**117**	48.1	**4.5**
Cadillac	65	50	39	58	47	34	53	47	49	43	42	**46**	15.0	**9.5**
Chevrolet	165	125	177	137	162	161	144	191	162	222	174	**183**	5.2	**5.2**
Chrysler	45	40	54	37	29	25	24	30	31	39	40	**43**	-18.9	**7.5**
Datsun	51	41	56	42	24	41	33	54	40	32	34	**30**	-21.1	**-11.8**
Dodge	36	32	28	39	20	27	24	25	25	22	33	**34**	-26.1	**3.0**
Ford	122	101	147	131	404	220	149	226	203	146	166	**137**	10.5	**-17.5**
Honda	30	16	41	26	16	27	23	37	40	32	48	**29**	3.6	**-39.6**
Lincoln	33	34	47	27	34	35	14	49	76	95	33	**52**	48.6	**57.6**
Mazda	29	28	27	28	25	19	21	15	18	24	21	**15**	-51.6	**-28.6**
Mercury	63	59	73	46	103	110	56	91	90	96	82	**110**	64.2	**34.1**
Oldsmobile	201	137	193	200	175	155	175	194	237	231	162	**244**	42.7	**50.6**
Plymouth	15	18	16	9	15	12	14	14	15	20	21	**27**	50.0	**28.6**
Pontiac	104	85	93	86	121	123	77	109	83	108	89	**116**	73.1	**30.3**
Renault	10	15	23	21	15	9	24	12	29	16	16	**20**	300.0	**25.0**
Toyota	62	72	64	44	60	42	51	48	37	15	34	**43**	-30.6	**26.5**
Volkswagen	7	6	12	6	5	6	15	8	6	10	15	**12**	100.0	**-20.0**
Volvo	6	12	12	8	5	5	4	5	12	8	3	**6**	-40.0	**100.0**
Other	58	64	61	49	47	38	43	62	43	44	62	**57**	-17.4	**-8.1**
Total Car Sales	1,193	1,028	1,282	1,070	1,412	1,171	1,008	1,322	1,270	1,279	1,187	**1,321**	17.6	**11.3**
NEW TRUCK SALES														
Chevrolet	244	148	170	141	163	154	149	160	123	139	180	**213**	52.1	**18.3**
Datsun	12	6	17	13	11	10	13	7	35	14	11	**20**	53.8	**-81.8**
Dodge	54	44	52	44	44	46	55	49	60	65	71	**49**	4.3	**-31.0**
Ford	160	152	145	113	143	189	149	161	183	210	198	**210**	44.8	**6.1**
GMC	28	24	24	18	22	25	22	30	29	21	29	**26**	44.4	**-10.3**
Mazda	15	19	13	8	5	9	18	14	24	19	19	**14**	-12.5	**-26.3**
Toyota	10	15	17	24	11	16	16	19	21	7	22	**28**	12.0	**27.3**
Other	40	41	48	52	42	38	43	57	53	94	53	**61**	134.6	**15.1**
Total Truck Sales	563	449	486	413	441	487	465	497	528	569	583	**621**	44.4	**6.5**

Economic Indicators: MONROE METROPOLITAN AREA

Categories	Dec 83	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	Apr 84	**May 84**	Per Cent Change: Latest Month: Same Month Prior Year	Per Cent Change: Latest Month: **Prior Month**	Per Cent Change: Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS									
Total Civilian Labor Force (000)	58.7	58.5	58.8	57.6	58.4	**58.5**	-3.9	**0.2**	-0.8
Total Employed (000)	52.8	52.5	53.0	52.5	53.4	**53.3**	-1.7	**-0.2**	1.2
Total Unemployed (000)	5.9	6.0	5.8	5.1	5.0	**5.2**	-22.4	**4.0**	-15.8
Unemployment Rate	10.0	10.3	9.9	8.9	8.6	**8.9**	-19.1	**3.5**	-14.8
CONSTRUCTION									
Highway Construction Contracts ($ Million)			21.80	21.63	21.63	**23.00**		**6.3**	
Value Of Construction Contracts ($ Million)									
Residential	1.7	3.0	3.2	3.5	4.0	**2.8**	-30.0	**-30.0**	59.6
Nonresidential	1.8	1.4	1.0	4.0	0.9	**11.9**	5850.0	**1222.2**	12.5
Number Of Construction Contracts	28	68	67	63	65	**52**	-27.8	**-20.0**	52.9
WELFARE ACTIVITY									
Aid To Dependent Children									
Amount Paid	526,043	534,001	540,575	549,695	556,035	**553,685**		**-0.4**	
Children	7,077	7,166	7,272	7,363	7,488	**7,409**		**-1.1**	
Food Stamp Information									
Coupon Value	1,256,354	1,285,054	1,309,326	1,341,978	1,333,421	**1,292,900**		**-3.0**	
Recipients	28,581	28,900	29,899	30,290	30,215	**29,831**		**-1.3**	
Medicaid Information									
Claims									
Payments									
GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY									
Beer Sales Information									
Cases Sold	101,572	107,903	124,223	130,584	140,680				
Taxed Amount	11,173	11,869	13,664	14,364	15,475				
Airline Cargo (Tons)	13	19	21	19	13	**19**	-17.4	**46.2**	4.6
Airline Passenger Boardings (000)	8.0	8.0	7.0	8.0	7.0	**8.0**	0.0	**14.3**	13.9
Telephone Lines (000)	128.1	128.3	128.5	128.7	128.9	**128.6**		**-0.2**	
Total Mortgage Loans Closed ($ Mil)	26.1	10.7	32.7	13.8	29.2				
VITAL STATISTICS									
Births	143								
Deaths	121								
REVENUE COLLECTIONS									
Retail Sales Tax - State	2,071,527	2,606,162	1,709,894	1,745,362	2,961,053				

New Cars & Trucks Sales - Monroe Area

	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	Dec 83	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	Apr 84	**May 84**		
NEW CAR SALES														
Buick	76	60	79	45	62	49	56	50	51	41	61	**63**	-4.5	**3.3**
Cadillac	21	21	20	13	19	11	25	30	12	15	22	**23**	-8.0	**4.5**
Chevrolet	70	58	60	47	47	45	43	71	55	50	45	**63**	31.3	**40.0**
Chrysler	14	8	12	8	6	7	14	7	4	7	9	**24**	100.0	**166.7**
Datsun	54	26	30	21	39	14	20	31	15	13	21	**19**	18.8	**-9.5**
Dodge	7	8	3	4	5	7	10	8	14	12	9	**16**	433.3	**77.8**
Ford	55	37	40	37	53	69	46	46	62	66	62	**73**	143.3	**17.7**
Honda	26	17	19	18	25	24	21	24	27	22	35	**29**	38.1	**-17.1**
Lincoln	13	16	19	19	20	12	11	8	9	9	14	**16**	23.1	**14.3**
Mazda	30	17	27	35	23	16	22	16	23	12	22	**19**	5.6	**-13.6**
Mercury	31	26	34	26	24	30	16	25	37	16	26	**44**	120.0	**69.2**
Oldsmobile	105	62	78	93	87	77	97	72	76	110	95	**65**	-11.0	**-31.6**
Plymouth	4	2	2	0	3	4	1	3	2	7	1	**10**	400.0	**900.0**
Pontiac	15	18	20	20	31	27	21	35	20	27	34	**43**	95.5	**26.5**
Renault	11	8	5	3	4	1	5	0	2	1	3	**0**		
Toyota	24	23	25	21	19	30	15	18	11	18	18	**14**	-22.2	**-22.2**
Volkswagen	3	1	4	1	0	0	2	5	3	3	3	**8**		**166.7**
Volvo	4	7	8	5	9	10	8	6	5	10	9	**13**	30.0	**44.4**
Other	17	9	9	7	9	6	13	28	24	13	19	**28**	211.1	**47.4**
Total Car Sales	580	424	494	423	485	439	446	483	452	452	508	**570**	**39.0**	**12.2**
NEW TRUCK SALES														
Chevrolet	75	72	71	52	75	57	59	71	64	54	57	**83**	**25.8**	**45.6**
Datsun	11	10	17	18	13	3	10	7	18	17	15	**11**	**37.5**	**-26.7**
Dodge	8	7	6	3	16	5	16	17	12	16	20	**28**	**211.1**	**40.0**
Ford	83	38	49	63	61	97	64	64	58	87	90	**96**	**52.4**	**6.7**
GMC	33	46	34	25	27	33	54	29	37	36	29	**45**	**50.0**	**55.2**
Mazda	22	11	31	23	14	22	13	31	41	12	27	**26**	**62.5**	**-3.7**
Toyota	14	11	14	14	13	12	10	20	8	12	19	**10**	**0.0**	**-47.4**
Other	35	15	29	19	16	43	41	29	21	37	21	**19**	**58.3**	**-9.5**
Total Truck Sales	281	210	251	217	235	272	267	268	259	271	278	**318**	**48.6**	**14.4**

Economic Indicators: HOUMA-THIBODAUX METROPOLITAN AREA

							Per Cent Change		
							Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12-Months
Categories	Dec 83	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	Apr 84	**May 84**	Same Month Prior Year	**Prior Month**	
CONSTRUCTION									
Highway Construction Contracts ($ Mil)			33.31	33.31	34.48	**36.99**		**7.3**	
Value Of Construction Contracts ($ Mil)									
Residential		2.5	4.1	6.9	5.9	**3.7**		**-37.3**	
Nonresidential		1.6	2.4	0.1	4.8	**3.9**		**-18.8**	
Number Of Construction Contracts		45	67	163	131	**81**		**-38.2**	
WELFARE ACTIVITY									
Aid To Dependent Children									
Amount Paid	312,688	312,807	322,896	333,432	345,025	**344,357**		**-0.2**	
Children	3,988	4,045	4,132	4,257	4,371	**4,398**		**0.6**	
Food Stamp Information									
Coupon Value	1,013,288	1,027,110	1,067,771	1,125,519	1,142,696	**1,108,440**		**-3.0**	
Recipients	22,251	22,456	23,398	24,388	24,623	**24,255**		**-1.5**	
Medicaid Information									
Claims									
Payments									
GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY									
Beer Sales Information									
Cases Sold	181,371	137,453	179,304	189,767	193,508				
Taxed Amount	19,951	15,120	19,724	20,873	21,286				
Newspaper Advertising Lineage	1,761,200	1,402,800							
VITAL STATISTICS									
Births	258								
Deaths	111								
REVENUE COLLECTIONS									
Retail Sales Tax - State	1,361,881	1,706,779	816,372	1,320,903	1,824,474				

New Cars & Trucks Sales - Houma Area

	Jun 83	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	Dec 83	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	Apr 84	**May 84**		
NEW CAR SALES														
Buick	56	52	53	43	48	40	47	37	41	60	71	**60**	-11.8	**-15.5**
Cadillac	19	13	7	11	11	15	18	11	15	6	16	**13**	18.2	**-18.8**
Chevrolet	70	58	58	50	83	38	42	67	59	78	79	**82**	13.9	**3.8**
Chrysler	19	16	10	18	7	10	17	12	14	11	12	**17**	54.5	**41.7**
Datsun	36	36	30	36	17	23	21	23	24	22	21	**15**	-44.4	**-28.6**
Dodge	33	80	13	11	30	15	11	11	16	12	11	**21**	-60.4	**90.9**
Ford	59	42	31	47	46	48	49	43	60	56	53	**73**	32.7	**37.7**
Honda	19	17	10	13	13	14	19	27	21	27	32	**38**	153.3	**18.8**
Lincoln	11	8	11	11	6	9	7	8	6	7	9	**10**	-9.1	**11.1**
Mazda	3	6	7	6	4	3	6	3	0	7	5	**7**	75.0	**40.0**
Mercury	30	24	18	18	29	24	16	22	26	18	24	**27**	42.1	**12.5**
Oldsmobile	79	44	86	54	63	57	79	68	77	81	59	**90**	66.7	**52.5**
Plymouth	10	7	12	9	9	5	10	9	6	14	8	**10**	-9.1	**25.0**
Pontiac	60	25	29	32	25	37	41	30	30	34	35	**33**	-2.9	**-5.7**
Renault	1	1	0	3	3	3	2	3	3	3	3	**7**		**133.3**
Toyota	26	22	26	16	22	22	28	26	33	12	16	**30**	66.7	**87.5**
Volkswagen	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	**0**		
Volvo	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	**0**		
Other	1	0	0	0	8	6	14	6	10	9	10	**20**	1900.0	**100.0**
Total Car Sales	532	451	401	378	424	369	427	406	441	457	464	**553**	19.2	**19.2**
NEW TRUCK SALES														
Chevrolet	44	76	60	48	59	50	57	68	61	61	55	**118**	118.5	**114.5**
Datsun	17	18	16	22	15	10	11	10	19	21	12	**12**	-25.0	**0.0**
Dodge	58	43	46	47	36	35	44	41	69	59	71	**50**	-30.6	**-29.6**
Ford	71	59	57	73	63	65	55	65	68	64	70	**74**	-9.8	**5.7**
GMC	35	34	27	21	21	25	35	35	22	26	33	**40**	25.0	**21.2**
Mazda	3	2	2	0	6	4	2	3	4	3	5	**2**	100.0	**-60.0**
Toyota	6	5	9	6	3	7	11	12	18	13	11	**16**	220.0	**45.5**
Other	8	10	9	12	13	4	10	16	15	13	12	**19**	1800.0	**58.3**
Total Truck Sales	242	247	226	229	216	200	225	250	276	260	269	**331**	25.9	**23.0**

60 Largest Commercial Banks in Louisiana By Total Assets ($000) - December 31, 1983

Commercial Bank	Total Assets	Net Income	Net Loans	Total Deposits	Bad Debt Expenses	% Return Return on Assets	% Return Return on Equity	Earnings Per Share Common	Dividends Per Share Common	Number of Employees
WHITNEY NB New Orleans	**$2,120,683**	$32.244	$926,742	$1.651.236	$22,071	**1.52**	15.27	$287.89	$142.76	**897**
FNB of COMMERCE New Orleans	**2,003,684**	15.490	666.297	1,465,777	6.637	**0.77**	12.14	16.70	11.79	**1,437**
HIBERNIA New Orleans	**1,567,649**	14.411	732.858	1,232.536	5.450	**0.92**	16.67	9.75	2.84	**972**
COMMERCIAL Shreveport	**1,091,950**	11.280	555.395	864.065	3,900	**1.03**	14.31	8.06	2.00	**618**
FIRST NATIONAL Shreveport	**1,079,089**	11.262	454,241	828.054	1,854	**1.04**	13.30	8.60	2.62	**639**
LOUISIANA NATIONAL Baton Rouge	**1,056,868**	13.016	637.600	863.012	6,219	**1.23**	16.66	5.68	2.18	**1,074**
GUARANTY Lafayette	**768,754**	5.878	485.825	678.807	5,400	**0.76**	10.71	2.97	1.00	**628**
FIDELITY Baton Rouge	**707,320**	6.925	448.601	587.719	4,040	**0.98**	13.66	6.92	1.06	**717**
CALCASIEU MARINE Lake Charles	**642,907**	8.314	348.308	549.384	2.256	**1.29**	10.80	7.92	2.00	**521**
AMERICAN BANK Baton Rouge	**622.287**	2.944	308.448	514.389	3,500	**0.47**	7.02	5.35	2.88	**583**
CAPITAL BANK Baton Rouge	**527,439**	4.922	291.684	445.082	2,225	**0.93**	13.92	12.30	2.90	**523**
JEFFERSON GUARANTY J Parish	**526,179**	5.194	312.878	434.224	1,883	**0.99**	15.00	9.44	5.10	**444**
OUACHITA Monroe	**516,716**	5.562	249.293	430.718	1,300	**1.08**	12.82	3.71	0.50	**366**
CENTRAL BANK Monroe	**488,335**	3.621	248,609	387.281	1,000	**0.74**	12.37	7.84	1.42	**381**
CITY NATIONAL Baton Rouge	**481,845**	5.617	218.646	390.745	1,450	**1.17**	11.88	11.23	1.38	**382**
FIRST NATIONAL Gretna	**463,097**	4.221	292.729	405.505	7,245	**0.91**	13.92	13.40	13.05	**425**
FIRST NATIONAL Lafayette	**448,708**	5.096	243,123	391.700	2,198	**1.14**	14.56	50.96	21.00	**365**
LOUISIANA BANK Shreveport	**414,168**	2.528	212,211	378.547	1,160	**0.61**	10.50	5.64	1.20	**294**
NBC Jefferson Parish	**390,313**	2.046	186,659	311.616	1,590	**0.52**	8.57	3.37	5.08	**361**
AMERICAN BANK New Orleans	**382,520**	2.532	91.288	334.448	500	**0.66**	7.57	6.33	3.00	**304**
GUARANTY BANK Alexandria	**361,001**	4.373	196.395	319.635	247	**1.21**	16.52	6.63	1.65	**259**
RAPIDES BANK Alexandria	**347,270**	5.307	123,175	306.917	1,101	**1.53**	15.00	53.07	2.00	**314**
AMERICAN BANK Lafayette	**326,051**	1.705	218.608	285.610	4,400	**0.52**	8.18	8.52	2.50	**216**
TERREBONNE BANK Houma	**321,132**	3.175	150.752	284.315	2,000	**0.99**	11.50	5.44	2.04	**285**
BOSSIER BANK Bossier City	**311,376**	-5.224	193.386	272.743	19,283	**-1.68**	-34.04	-11.36	0.94	**214**
FIRST NATIONAL BANK Houma	**264,754**	3.002	119.769	222.276	100	**1.13**	15.48	5.33	2.98	**196**
PIONEER BANK Shreveport	**263,759**	4.226	140.093	235.231	1,090	**1.60**	17.49	14.09	6.00	**203**
CITIZENS BANK Thibodaux	**244,118**	2.459	102,587	218.880	1,225	**1.01**	10.64	20.49	3.50	**137**
FIRST GUARANTY Hammond	**243,831**	1.721	151.049	215.158	981	**0.71**	10.10	4.07	1.65	**235**
FIRST NATIONAL Covington	**213,745**	3.037	126.088	190,267	1,555	**1.42**	17.59	5.86	1.64	**266**
RACELAND BANK Raceland	**185,240**	2.040	58.810	164.602	659	**1.10**	11.39	9.27	1.85	**149**
BANK OF GONZALES Gonzales	**168,222**	1.818	98.857	150.535	200	**1.08**	12.65	4.13	0.96	**102**
BATON ROUGE BANK Baton Rouge	**162,849**	1.256	84.630	146.555	820	**0.77**	11.91	2.20	0.59	**149**
FIRST NATIONAL Lake Charles	**161,234**	2.029	70.419	143.403	450	**1.26**	14.62	13.53	3.00	**167**
GULF NATIONAL Lake Charles	**149,348**	2.389	61.251	133.027	275	**1.60**	15.94	7.96	1.00	**173**
CONCORDIA BANK Vidalia	**146.297**	2.235	64.185	125.144	364	**1.53**	15.12	22.35	5.00	**53**
LAKE SIDE Lake Charles	**142,880**	1.910	74.376	125.271	365	**1.34**	16.77	3.82	3.40	**179**
FIRST NATIONAL Morgan City	**142,656**	240	71.870	128.855	2,485	**0.17**	1.95	1.00	1.70	**145**
PEOPLES BANK New Iberia	**141,436**	555	77.575	129,806	818	**0.39**	5.79	3.26	1.70	**155**
DELTA BANK Belle Chase	**136,917**	-289	69.658	99.926	2,569	**-0.21**	-3.18	-0.77	1.20	**129**
FIRST NATIONAL West Monroe	**136,677**	907	45.440	114.870	130	**0.66**	8.34	2.38	0.00	**56**
RUSTON STATE BANK Ruston	**135,620**	1.578	68.591	119.321	743	**1.16**	15.55	8.77	3.29	**97**
BANK OF NEW ROADS New Road	**132,181**	1.012	72.512	121,593	406	**0.77**	11.00	599.88	247.18	**71**
FIRST BANK Slidell	**130,061**	1.921	96.207	118,061	426	**1.48**	17.36	10.58	8.14	**142**
METAIRIE BANK Metairie	**129,783**	3.487	55.735	109.105	265	**2.69**	18.04	3.66	0.20	**121**
ST LANDRY BANK Opelousas	**128,093**	1.587	27.781	114.330	0	**1.24**	13.19	70.53	4.04	**78**
BANK OF COMMERCE Crowley	**126,828**	1.628	58.065	112.163	990	**1.28**	12.97	7.75	2.50	**77**
CITIZENS BANK Hammond	**124,435**	1.513	80,590	113.381	270	**1.22**	15.63	6.46	3.35	**114**
AMERICAN BANK Monroe	**121,732**	1.013	69.145	98.756	480	**0.83**	10.10	3.23	0.10	**104**
FIRST STATE BANK Franklinton	**121,021**	2.108	47.084	107.608	585	**1.74**	17.05	21.08	2.75	**84**
SECURITY Alexandria	**119,610**	1.426	79.929	104.955	583	**1.19**	14.56	5.48	1.51	**94**
LAFOURCHE Thibodaux	**113,816**	1.030	53,088	103.032	308	**0.90**	11.37	8.05	2.50	**95**
SHREVEPORT BANK Shreveport	**109,016**	851	58.547	98,006	491	**0.78**	11.01	3.48	0.00	**98**
LIVINGSTON BANK Denham Springs	**108,837**	1,435	61.313	98,066	350	**1.32**	16.40	7.07	2.89	**125**
NATIONAL BANK Bossier City	**105,424**	1.164	64.421	92.778	424	**1.10**	13.52	7.85	0.00	**103**
AMERICAN BANK Shreveport	**105,212**	-174	66.242	88.601	1,489	**-0.17**	-2.88	-0.19	0.00	**67**
PEOPLES BANK Minden	**102,194**	1,441	48.724	90.764	156	**1.41**	15.26	10.42	3.25	**44**
NEW IBERIA NATIONAL New Iberia	**101,992**	1.421	36.932	90.251	385	**1.39**	13.07	28.42	4.00	**111**
AMERICAN BANK Norco	**99,754**	1.371	66.883	90,830	133	**1.37**	18.09	2.83	2.78	**73**
FIRST METROPOLITAN J Parish	**99,466**	1,675	44.985	88,567	190	**1.68**	20.05	17.00	1.00	**84**

SOURCE: Federal Reserve Board

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The Louisiana Economic Indicators (LEI) increased 0.8 percent in April, continuing the upward trend that began in the fall of 1982. This increase in the LEI in May continues to point to an improving economy for the rest of the year. The increase in the composite index was primarily due to increases in the indices predicting manufacturing activities and mining activities, although the index for construction also showed a slight improvement. Rising interest rates could stymie the activities in construction and durable goods manufacturing which, in turn, may have a dampening effect in the entire economy. However, the outlook for the Louisiana economy continues to reflect moderate optimism.

Table 1 shows the latest information on unemployment rates and changes in employment during the past year. The Lafayette metro area continues to have the lowest unemployment rate in the state while Lake Charles continues to have the highest rate. Lafayette was the only metropolitan area in Louisiana which had an unemployment rate which was below the median of the 234 metropolitan areas in the United States. The national rankings in Column 5 of the table show the rankings of those areas with the highest employment rate at the top of the ranking and those with the lowest unemployment rates at the bottom of the rankings. McAllen, Texas, with an unemployment rate of 22.9% had first place ranking, and Nashua, New Hampshire, with an unemployment rate of 2.9% had the lowest ranking. The unemployment ranking of 104 Baton Rouge means that 130 metro areas had a lower unemployment rate and 103 had a higher unemployment rate. Lake Charles had the 11th highest unemployment rate among the 234 metropolitan areas in the country.

Although Lafayette has the lowest unemployment rate in the state, its employment is growing very slowly. During the past year employment in Lafayette has increased only 1.7%, whereas employment in Shreveport and Baton Rouge increased 5.6% and 5.1%, respectively. The Houma-Thibodaux and Monroe areas actually experienced declining employment during the past year. During the next few months, the economies of Shreveport and Baton Rouge should continue to do well.

Economic conditions in Louisiana's rural parishes vary widely. The May unemployment rate was 21.5 percent in West Carroll Parish, 18.6 percent in Allen Parish, and 14.5 percent in both East Carroll and St. Landry parishes. On the other hand the unemployment rate in Lincoln Parish was a low 3.9 percent; in West Feliciana Parish it was 5.7 percent and in Cameron Parish it was 7.0 percent.

During the 12 month period between May 1983 to May 1984, St. James Parish had the highest percentage gain in employment (47.6 percent), followed by West Feliciana Parish (29.2 percent), St. Helena (25.3 percent), etc. During the same time period, Iberia Parish suffered the greatest decline in employment (4.7 percent), followed by Pointe Coupee Parish (2.4 percent), St. Mary (1.9 percent) and Terrebonne (1.6 percent).

TABLE 1
Data on Louisiana Metropolitan Areas

Metro Areas	Unemployment Rate May, 1984	Unemployment Rate April, 1984	Unemployment Rate May, 1983	Ranking Among 234 Metro Areas in U.S. April, 1984	% Change in Employment 5/83 - 5/84
Alexandria	9.1%	9.2%	12.0%	49	3.5%
Baton Rouge	7.3%	7.2%	10.2%	104	5.1%
Houma-Thibodaux	9.7%	10.0%	14.9%	---	−0.6%
Lafayette	5.9%	5.8%	8.4%	144	1.7%
Lake Charles	13.4%	13.2%	14.3%	11	−3.5%
Monroe	8.9%	8.6%	11.0%	60	−1.7%
New Orleans	8.0%	7.9%	10.7%	80	3.7%
Shreveport	7.1%	7.4%	11.7%	88	5.6%

General Remarks

The delay in publishing the May, 1984 issue of the *Louisiana Economic Indicators (LEI)* is the result of the conversion and updating of the photo typesetting equipment. The programming and improvements to the *LEI* have taken longer than previously anticipated; however, the conversion has been completed and further delays are not expected. The June, 1984 *LEI* will follow this issue shortly.

Format changes in the Local Sales Tax Collection tables should be noted. The format now includes the local sales tax rate, the July 1, 1983, population estimates as published by Louisiana Tech, the annual totals for 1982, 1983 and the prior year's month corresponding to the latest reporting month. Because the State tables have a uniform tax rate for all parishes, there is no parish rate sales tax column, whereas parish population is listed in all tables. In the "Commodity" sales tax table the population and rate have been excluded since they are not applicable. The objective is to display the maximum amount of data per table without compromising the table's legibility.

Several voluntary contributors to the Local Sales Tax by Cities, School Boards, and Police Juries are not current, i.e., have not reported data for the current period (May, 1984) as well as prior month's data. The Division of Research and Development conducts an ongoing review, follow-up, and edit program to insure the data's completeness and accuracy for each issue of the *LEI*. Many of the smaller reporting cities and towns do not have the staff nor the sophisticated computer equipment that would permit them to make timely reporting; however, all of the unreported data will be eventually captured for subsequent publication. On the other hand, very large sales tax collections by cities and police juries are such a large task that delays are inevitable, but the delays are usually not more than a month. Finally, there are several small of cities and towns etc., who have decided not to be voluntary contributors. Although they have not contributed any data, an entry for them has been maintained with the expectation they may elect, in the future, to assist the Division of Research and Development in presenting a comprehensive profile of Local Sales Taxes.

The *LEI* during the past year and a half has been in a highly evolutionary state. Technical advances were made to utilize the computer and new photo typesetting equipment. In addition, the range of data has increased quite significantly. The objectives of the *LEI* are to publish data not readily available from state agencies and U.S. government documents, and to have continuity in the data series. The expansion of the *LEI's* database will continue, but a standardized format will enable more timely *LEI* publication.

Economic Indicators: UNITED STATES

Categories	Dec 83	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	Apr 84	**May 84**	Per Cent Change		
							Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12-Months
							Same Month Prior Year	**Prior Month**	
PRODUCER PRICE INDEXES (1967100)									
Finished Goods	287.1	289.4	290.6	291.7	291.4	**291.5**	**2.5**	**0.0**	**1.8**
Finished Consumer Goods	286.1	288.8	290.1	291.4	290.6	**290.7**	**2.5**	**0.0**	**1.6**
Intermediate Materials	315.8	316.6	317.4	319.5	320.2	**320.8**	**3.5**	**0.2**	**2.0**
Crude Materials	327.8	333.7	332.8	339.4	340.1	**338.5**	**3.9**	**-0.5**	**3.3**
CONSUMER PRICE INDEXES (1967100)									
All Items	303.5	305.2	306.6	307.3	308.8	**309.7**	**4.2**	**0.3**	**3.5**
Food and Beverages	286.5	291.6	294.2	294.3	294.5	**293.6**	**3.0**	**-0.3**	**2.7**
Housing	327.4	329.2	331.0	331.5	333.2	**334.6**	**4.0**	**0.4**	**2.9**
Apparel and Upkeep	199.3	196.4	196.2	198.8	199.2	**198.9**	**1.4**	**-0.2**	**2.5**
Transportation	306.3	306.0	305.8	306.9	309.6	**312.2**	**5.4**	**0.8**	**3.9**
Medical Care	366.2	369.5	373.2	374.5	375.7	**376.8**	**6.4**	**0.3**	**7.0**
Entertainment	249.5	249.9	251.5	251.7	253.8	**253.5**	**3.6**	**-0.1**	**3.7**
INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION INDEXES (1967100)									
Total Index	156.2	158.5	160.0	160.8	162.2	**162.8**	**12.7**	**0.4**	**12.7**
Energy	141.1	141.6	141.4	141.9	143.0	**143.2**	**7.0**	**0.1**	**4.8**
Durable Consumer Goods	158.6	163.4	162.5	163.1	162.5	**162.2**	**11.5**	**-0.2**	**18.5**
Nondurable Consumer Goods	157.3	157.9	158.2	159.1	161.1	**162.0**	**6.4**	**0.6**	**6.0**
Business Equipment	167.3	170.7	171.9	172.1	173.5	**175.4**	**18.8**	**1.1**	**10.6**
Defense and Space Equipment	125.7	128.3	129.5	130.1	132.8	**133.6**	**13.6**	**0.6**	**10.6**
Construction Supplies	151.5	155.5	156.6	159.1	159.9	**159.7**	**15.4**	**-0.1**	**19.6**
Business Supplies	179.3	180.1	181.3	181.3	182.2	**182.8**	**10.1**	**0.3**	**10.2**
Durable Goods Materials	151.3	154.6	158.6	159.5	161.6	**161.7**	**20.0**	**0.1**	**21.5**
Nondurable Goods Materials	180.3	181.2	184.1	185.9	186.0	**186.7**	**8.5**	**0.4**	**13.8**
Energy Materials	130.0	131.3	131.0	131.3	132.3	**132.1**	**9.1**	**-0.2**	**5.1**
Home Goods and Clothing	137.6	140.1	140.3	140.1	141.3	**141.2**	**9.3**	**-0.1**	**12.6**
GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY (1967100)									
Index of 12 Leading Indicators	163.8	164.7	167.0	167.4	168.3	**168.2**	**8.9**	**-0.1**	**14.4**
Index of 4 Roughly Coincident Indicators	147.1	149.4	150.5	150.9	152.2	**153.0**	**10.9**	**0.5**	**8.6**
Index Of 6 Lagging Indicators	111.2	110.1	111.7	113.2	115.2	**116.4**	**4.9**	**1.0**	**-5.7**
Index of Coincident to Lagging Ratio	132.3	135.7	134.7	133.3	132.1	**131.4**	**5.8**	**-0.5**	**15.0**
Housing Starts, Privately Owned (000)	108.3	109.1	130.0	137.5	170.6	**179.8**	**2.8**	**5.4**	**34.6**
Housing Starts, Publically Owned (000)	0.2	0.1	0.4	0.6	0.3	**1.4**	**133.3**	**366.7**	**-31.0**
FINANCE									
Yield On 3-Month Federal Sec	8.96	8.93	9.03	9.44	9.69	**9.90**	**20.9**	**2.2**	**3.8**
Yield on State & Local Bonds	9.34	9.00	9.04	9.41	9.54	**10.49**	**25.0**	**10.0**	**-3.4**
Average Yield on Corporate Bonds	13.07	12.92	12.88	13.33	13.59	**13.28**	**8.0**	**-2.3**	**-4.8**
M1 Currency + Demand Deposits ($ Bil)	525.3	530.0	532.9	535.1	535.3	**541.0**	**6.8**	**1.1**	**10.1**
M2 M1 + Other Checkable Deposits ($ Bil)	2,196.2	2,206.8	2,222.5	2,230.0	2,242.7	**2,258.4**	**7.4**	**0.7**	**10.6**
Bank Debits ($ Bil)	115,381.5	120,954.6	126,749.9	116,416.7	129,229.4	**131,456.9**	**22.5**	**1.7**	**19.9**
Credit Union Deposits ($ Bil)	61.2	60.7	49.7	50.2					
Savings & Loan Deposits ($ Bil)	621.7	630.1	637.3	643.2					
Commercial Bank Deposits ($ Bil)	1,321.6	1,351.1	1,326.7	1,333.9					
EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS (MILLIONS)									
Civilian Noninstitutional Population	175.1	175.5	175.7	175.8	176.0	**176.1**	**1.2**	**0.1**	**1.2**
Civilian Labor Force	112.1	112.2	112.7	112.9	113.2	**113.8**	**2.8**	**0.5**	**1.6**
Percent of Population	64.0	63.9	64.1	64.2	64.4	**64.6**	**1.4**	**0.3**	**0.4**
Employed	102.9	103.2	103.9	104.1	104.4	**105.3**	**5.5**	**0.9**	**3.4**
Employment-Population Ratio	58.8	58.8	59.1	59.2	59.3	**59.8**	**4.5**	**0.8**	**2.3**
Unemployed	9.2	9.0	8.8	8.8	8.8	**8.5**	**-24.1**	**-3.4**	**-15.2**
Unemployment Rate	8.2	8.0	7.8	7.8	7.8	**7.5**	**-25.7**	**-3.8**	**-16.4**
LIFE INSURANCE STATISTICS									
Annualized Premium ($ Mil)	541.4	369.1	370.8	429.4	417.7	**465.2**	**30.8**	**11.4**	**21.8**
Face Amount ($ Bil)	49.6	35.6	37.5	42.6	41.6	**45.4**	**19.5**	**9.1**	**18.0**
Premium Per $1,000	10.92	10.37	9.88	10.08	10.04	**10.25**	**9.5**	**2.1**	**2.8**
Average Policy Size ($ 000)	53.7	51.8	48.2	48.4	49.7	**52.2**	**15.2**	**5.0**	**15.7**
Premium Per Policy	587	538	476	488	499	**535**	**26.2**	**7.2**	**19.3**
Number Of Ordinary Life Insurance Policies	922.7	686.6	779.3	879.5	836.9	**868.9**	**3.6**	**3.8**	**2.0**
ENERGY SUMMARY (QUADs)									
Energy Production	5.30	5.57	5.40	5.73					
Energy Consumption	7.21	7.27	6.17	6.64					
Energy Imports	1.04	1.09	1.05	1.04					
Energy Exports	0.29	0.25	0.22	0.31					

Louisiana Tourist Traffic Data - Visitors To Selected Tourist Attractions

Categories	Dec 83	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	Apr 84	**May 84**	Per Cent Change: Latest Month: Same Month Prior Year	Per Cent Change: Latest Month: **Prior Month**	Per Cent Change: Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12-Months
Audubon State Commemorative Area	10,717	15,024	5,432	10,096	11,068	**10,835**	1.8	**-2.1**	5.4
Camp Moore State Commemorative Area	287	213	440	580	1,306	**637**	16.0	**-51.2**	32.7
Chemin-A-Haut State Park	1,602	1,376	1,994	2,896	3,619	**5,582**	13.0	**54.2**	4.1
Chicot State Park	17,070	18,845	25,000	49,349	57,191	**63,788**	104.5	**11.5**	-2.9
Cypremort Point State Park	1,058	1,215	1,918	4,653	8,542	**16,262**	-41.8	**90.4**	-24.4
Edward Douglass White Memorial	22	30	130	193	143	**469**	346.7	**228.0**	58.3
Fairview-Riverside State Park	6,553	9,493	15,182	19,881	24,478	**28,956**	37.5	**18.3**	-5.0
Fontainbleau State Park	12,840	15,248	19,772	28,474	29,584	**88,864**	168.0	**200.4**	51.6
Fort Jesup State Commemorative Area	5,906	3,074	3,430	4,248	6,442	**4,218**	-26.6	**-34.5**	-22.7
Fort Pike State Commemorative Area	11,976	11,584	16,472	29,886	32,820	**43,080**	60.5	**31.3**	158.4
Fort St. Jean Baptiste	1,278	606	965	1,716	2,498	**4,218**	61.7	**68.9**	37.9
Grand Isle State Park	3,898			370	345	**168**	-99.5	**-51.3**	
Hodges Gardens	502	191	400	6,178	12,914	**7,137**	-5.7	**-44.7**	-17.6
Indian Creek Recreational Area	359	1,245	3,170	9,022	15,127	**23,722**	5.7	**56.8**	11.5
Kent House State Commemorative Area									
Lake Bistineau State Park	2,163	3,115	4,834	8,371	13,777	**17,421**	8.4	**26.4**	5.7
Lake Bruin State Park	2,126	2,348	2,584	5,132	7,986	**9,064**	54.4	**13.5**	-63.0
Lake Claiborne State Park	3,090	3,030	4,196	7,784	12,078	**34,528**	140.1	**185.9**	230.9
Lake D'Arbonne State Park	939	1,244	1,932	3,123	3,897	**6,598**	15.0	**69.3**	30.0
Longfellow-Evangeline State Park	12,944	14,478	12,600	16,662	18,784	**19,574**	0.1	**4.2**	-28.2
Los Adeas	76	49	32	44	63	**100**	212.5	**58.7**	25.3
Louisiana State Arboretum	112	65	176	268	339	**391**		**15.3**	
Louisiana State Exhibit Museum, Shreveport	12,900	10,300	23,000	44,400	45,400	**36,600**	0.5	**-19.4**	0.8
Louisiana State Museum, New Orleans	3,883	3,895	5,788	6,280	8,549	**50,070**	145.0	**485.7**	-30.0
Louisiana State Fairgrounds	66,675	28,664	145,545	37,110	154,025	**55,275**	-29.6	**-64.1**	5.5
Mansfield State Commemorative Area	505	1,950	2,650	3,602	4,971	**4,116**	12.0	**-17.2**	1.9
Old Arsenal Museum	1,658	2,191	3,342	5,896	7,870	**8,444**	-6.0	**7.3**	-9.3
Marksville State Commemorative Area	3,434	7,582	12,023	14,264	13,910	**17,925**	1465.5	**28.9**	563.8
Old State Capitol	3,082	2,989	3,082	6,909	6,738	**9,498**	20.0	**41.0**	-3.6
Plaquemine Locks	84	331	267	300	289	**690**	209.4	**138.8**	198.9
Port Hudson	3,420	3,394	5,304	11,307	9,735	**9,538**	13.6	**-2.0**	-99.0
Poverty Point State Commemorative Area	1,321	960	900	4,679	7,828	**7,519**	312.0	**-3.9**	40.9
Rebel State Commemorative Area	1,066	1,093	1,101	1,372	1,756	**2,340**	-11.1	**33.3**	23.7
St. Bernard State Park	2,950	3,782	5,628	9,715	9,903	**27,251**	239.4	**175.2**	-14.6
Sam Houston Jones State Park	8,829	11,360	11,821	39,279	46,350	**63,827**	27.2	**37.7**	-4.4
Winter Quarters State Commemorative Area	32	37	66	109	87	**149**	-62.5	**71.3**	

Louisiana Tourist Traffic Data - Visitors To Tourist Information Stations

Greenwood	**6,971**	**6,905**	**7,980**	**13,454**	**10,559**	**18,289**	14.4	**73.2**	-1.7
Kentwood (I-55)	5,036	3,949	4,896	7,137	6,071	**18,758**	150.5	**209.0**	-2.4
Louisiana State Capitol	7,842	7,449	9,553	19,356	27,453	**32,957**	30.5	**20.0**	-6.3
Mound Center (I-20 W)	7,374	5,964	6,262	9,936	7,747	**12,503**	7.1	**61.4**	2.9
New Orleans	3,895	4,268	6,616	10,414	9,490	**14,961**	28.5	**57.7**	-13.5
Pearl River (I-59)	54,934	45,186	39,087	48,849	36,875	**61,913**	4.4	**67.9**	66.1
St. Francisville	1,063	940	1,509	3,138	3,445	**4,577**	14.3	**32.9**	-10.7
Slidell (I-10 W)	67,545	44,611	53,916	68,979	43,749	**91,029**	60.4	**108.1**	1.3
Toledo Bend	751	768	1,402	3,018	2,914	**2,810**	27.0	**-3.6**	-0.4
Vidalia	786	925	1,114	1,964	1,202	**2,002**	29.2	**66.6**	4.3
Vinton (I-10 E)	20,752	16,226	23,564	36,009	26,270	**41,416**	90.0	**57.7**	28.0

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THE DIVISION ECONOMIC REPORT

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Preliminary estimates indicate that the real GNP grew at an annual rate of 7.5 percent during the second quarter of 1984, following 10.1 percent increase in the previous quarter. The gain in GNP was primarily due to consumer expenditures and business investments which grew at annual rates of 6.9 percent and 21 percent, respectively. In comparison, consumer expenditures and business investments had grown 12.5 percent and 21 percent, respectively during the previous quarter.

The monthly data suggests that in the coming months the national economy will grow less than it did during the first half of the year. The Federal Reserve Board's Index of Industrial Production grew at a seasonally adjusted rate of 0.5 percent in June, which was lower than the average growth rate during the first five months of 1984. Retail sales grew 0.8 percent following a growth of only 0.5 percent in May. Total housing starts increased at a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 5.3 percent. Rising interest rates have impeded single-family home construction, but multi-family housing construction has continued to advance.

The U.S. civilian unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted) was 7.5 percent level in May; it dropped to 7.1 percent in June and increased to 7.5 percent in July. The civilian employment in June was 4/10th of one percent over the employment level in May 1984 and 5 percent over the employment in June 1983. The U.S. Leading Indicator dropped 9/10 of one percent in June. Revisions of earlier estimates indicate that this was the first drop in the indicator since August 1982. It signals a slower economic growth during the beginning of 1985.

Prices continue to be quite stable. The GNP deflator increased in an annual rate of 3.2 percent in the second quarter of 1984, following a 4.4 percent increase in the previous quarter. The Consumer Price Index increased only 2/10ths of one percent in June and the Producer Price Index was unchanged since April. Declining energy, food and automobile prices were responsible for a stable Producer Price Index. Interest rates have begun to decline moderately. The Federal Funds Rate (the rate charged by banks to other banks for use of their reserves) dropped to 11.77 percent by the end of July from 11.27 percent at the end of June. Corporate bond rates (AAA) dropped to 12.87 percent at the end of July from the 13.7 percent rate in June.

Monthly Summary

		Per Cent Change for Current 12 Months Compared to Prior 12 Months Data
Louisiana	**June 1984**	
Employment Statistics		
Unemployment Rate		
(01) Nebraska	3.6	
(02) New Hampshire	3.9	
(03) Connecticut	4.3	
(04) North Dakota	4.3	
(05) South Dakota	4.3	
(44) LOUISIANA	9.4	
(46) Alaska	9.9	
(47) Mississippi	10.5	
(48) Alabama	10.8	
(49) Michigan	11.3	
(50) West Virginia	13.7	
Civilian Labor Force(000)	1,965.3	1.60
Number of Unemployed (000)	185.3	-10.50
Unemployments Benefits Paid		
Number of Weeks	212,400	-26.30
Dollar Amount Paid	31,244,687	-25.80
Average Weekly Manufacturing		
Hours	41.8	2.00
Earnings	418.84	5.70
Number of New Claims	32,816	-15.20
Number of Exhaustions	6,211	-13.70
Construction		
Number of Construction Contracts	3,484	
Value of Construction Contracts ($ Mil)		
Residential	157.3	
Non-Residential	107.5	
Non-Building	80.7	
Revenue Collections		
Severance Tax	66,744,951	-3.60
General Sales Tax	70,108,132	4.10
Motor Vehicle Tax	9,978,613	9.50
Gasoline Tax	14,641,713	1.70
Individual Income Tax	34,147,546	73.10
Corporation Income Tax	38,720,018	-18.50
Corporation Franchise Tax	2,327,622	8.50
Tobacco Tax & Permits Tax	5,971,530	-0.20
Liquor & Wine Tax	1,727,184	1.00
Beer Tax	3,523,616	-0.60
Soft Drink Tax & Permit Fees	1,044,941	5.00
Royalties	47,130,222	
Total Revenues	247,648,549	4.70
General Business Activity		
Coal Exports (Tons)	552,000	
New Corporation	1,158	-18.90
Dissolutions	239	
Telephone Lines in Service	na	
Total Mortgage Loans Closed	279.4	78.40
Total New Cars Sold	15,469	
Total New Trucks Sold	8,545	
United States		
Employment Statistics (000)		
Civilian Non-Institutional Population	176,284	1.20
Civilian Labor Force	113,877	1.60
Percent of the Population	64.6	
Employed	105,748	3.80
Employed/Population Percent	60.0	
Unemployed	8,130	-17.70
Unemployment Rate	7.1	
Index Numbers (1967 = 100)		
Consumer Price Index - All Items	310.7	
Industrial Price Index - Total Index	163.6	
Producer Price Index - Finished Goods	291.2	
12 Leading Indicators	166.6	

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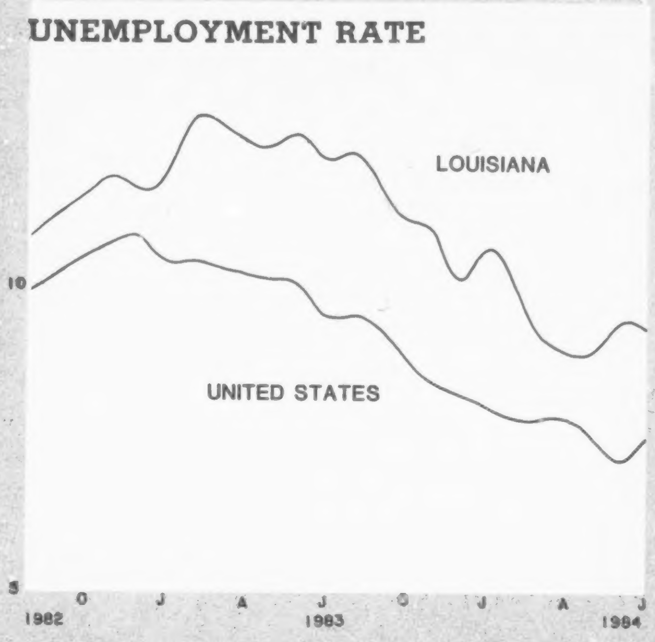
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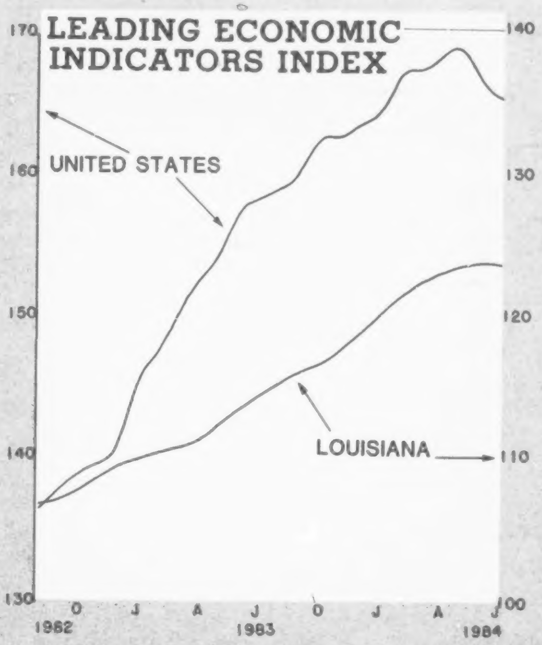
LEADING ECONOMIC INDICATORS INDEX

	Unemployment Rate						Leading Indicators					
	Louisiana			United States			Louisiana 1976 = 100			United States 1967 = 100		
Month	1982	1983	1984	1982	1983	1984	1982	1983	1984	1982	1983	1984
Jan	9.4	**11.8**	10.6	8.6	**10.4**	8.0	109.3	**109.7**	120.0	135.1	**145.2**	164.4
Feb	8.9	**12.7**	10.1	8.8	**10.4**	7.8	108.8	**110.1**	121.3	135.7	**147.4**	167.0
Mar	9.0	**12.7**	9.2	9.0	**10.3**	7.8	108.5	**110.5**	122.3	134.7	**150.2**	167.4
Apr	10.2	**12.4**	8.9	9.3	**10.2**	7.8	108.1	**111.1**	123.0	136.0	**152.5**	168.3
May	9.5	**12.3**	8.9	9.4	**10.1**	7.5	107.6	**112.1**	123.4	136.2	**154.4**	168.8
Jun	10.7	**12.5**	9.4	9.5	**10.0**	7.1	107.1	**113.2**	124.7	135.5	**157.3**	166.6
Jul	10.6	**12.1**	9.3	9.8	**9.5**	7.5	106.6	**114.2**	123.6	136.2	**158.2**	165.3
Aug	10.8	**12.2**		9.9	**9.5**		106.5	**115.1**		136.1	**158.9**	
Sep	11.2	**11.7**		10.2	**9.3**		106.8	**115.8**		137.5	**160.2**	
Oct	11.5	**11.1**		10.5	**8.8**		107.5	**116.5**		138.6	**162.5**	
Nov	11.8	**10.9**		10.7	**8.4**		108.4	**117.5**		139.4	**162.6**	
Dec	11.6	**10.1**		10.8	**8.2**		109.2	**118.7**		140.9	**163.5**	

Economic Indicators: LOUISIANA

Categories	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	Apr 84	May 84	**Jun 84**	Per Cent Change Latest Month Same Month Prior Year	 **Prior Month**	 Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS									
Civilian Labor Force (000)	1,887.8	1,896.0	1,897.5	1,916.6	1,930.1	**1,965.3**	1.1	**1.8**	1.6
Total Unemployed (000)	200.0	192.1	175.0	171.0	172.6	**185.2**	-23.8	**7.3**	-10.5
Unemployment Rate	10.6	10.1	9.2	8.9	8.9	**9.4**	-24.8	**5.6**	-11.8
Unemployment Benefits Paid (000 Weeks)	285.0	277.7	259.3	232.8	241.8	**212.4**	-44.0	**-12.2**	-26.3
Unemployment Benefits Paid ($ Mil)	42.8	41.0	38.1	34.3	35.5	**31.2**	-47.4	**-12.1**	-25.8
New Claims (000)	56.0	35.1	34.7	30.9	25.5	**32.8**	-27.8	**28.6**	-15.2
Exhaustions (000)	8.5	7.9	7.0	6.6	7.5	**6.2**	-49.2	**-17.3**	-13.7
Total Number Employed (000)									
Nonagricultural	1,556.1	1,562.5	1,566.6	1,569.2	1,574.4	**1,581.0**	0.8	**0.4**	-0.3
Wholesale And Retail Trade	369.7	368.0	369.6	372.5	374.4	**376.7**	1.6	**0.6**	1.6
Government	314.4	320.3	319.9	319.1	318.2	**316.7**	0.3	**-0.5**	1.2
Services	307.2	309.2	310.8	310.7	312.9	**312.1**	2.4	**-0.3**	1.7
Manufacturing	174.9	175.5	177.1	178.8	179.7	**182.0**	1.6	**1.3**	-3.8
Transportation & Public Utilities	113.7	114.2	113.4	114.3	114.7	**116.7**	-1.4	**1.7**	-4.9
Construction	113.1	111.8	113.7	113.2	114.4	**114.2**	-1.3	**-0.2**	-2.6
Finance, Insurance, & Real Estate	83.4	83.5	83.5	83.4	83.5	**84.0**	0.7	**0.6**	2.2
Mining	79.7	80.0	78.6	77.2	76.6	**78.6**	-1.4	**2.6**	-7.0
Average Weekly Manufacturing Hours	41.5	41.7	41.9	42.2	41.9	**41.8**	2.7	**-0.2**	2.0
Average Weekly Manufacturing Earnings	$ 422.47	421.17	423.61	425.80	422.35	**418.84**	6.0	**-0.8**	5.7
Regular State Unemployment Benefits									
Number						**196,944**			
Benefits Paid						**$ 28,555,119**			
UCFE Program									
Number						**1,074**			
Benefits Paid						**$ 130,023**			
UCX Program									
Number						**1,343**			
Benefits Paid						**$ 198,823**			
REVENUE COLLECTIONS ($ Mil)									
Severance Tax	$ 70.0	106.1	68.4	65.0	70.3	**66.7**	14.0	**-5.1**	-3.6
General Sales Tax	$ 76.9	55.7	58.7	69.2	71.2	**70.1**	17.0	**-1.5**	4.1
Motor Vehicle Tax	$ 9.2	8.9	9.4	9.5	10.8	**10.0**	7.5	**-7.4**	9.5
Gasoline Tax	$ 14.0	12.6	12.1	14.0	13.1	**14.6**	2.8	**11.5**	1.7
Individual Income Tax	$ 35.1	19.4	11.1	51.5	84.2	**34.7**	65.2	**-58.8**	73.1
Corporation Income Tax	$ 12.9	0.5	12.0	37.1	43.9	**38.7**	-21.7	**-11.8**	-18.5
Corporation Franchise Tax	$ 2.5	2.8	3.2	4.5	69.0	**2.3**	-36.1	**-96.7**	8.5
Tobacco Tax And Permits	$ 5.5	4.5	5.1	4.6	5.6	**6.0**	-7.7	**7.1**	-0.2
Alcoholic Beverages									
Liquor & Wine Tax	$ 2.7	1.3	1.6	1.7	1.6	**1.7**	6.3	**6.3**	1.0
Beer Tax, State	$ 2.7	2.2	2.6	2.7	2.9	**3.5**	6.1	**20.7**	-0.6
Special Fuels	$ 2.7	2.2	2.2	2.8	2.4	**2.7**	28.6	**12.5**	11.9
Soft Drink Tax & Permit Fees	$ 0.8	0.6	0.8	0.8	0.9	**1.0**	11.1	**11.1**	5.0
Parish & Municipality Beer Tax	$ 0.4	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.4	**0.6**	20.0	**50.0**	1.9
Total Revenues	$ 237.1	215.7	182.6	262.3	379.0	**247.6**	9.8	**-34.7**	4.7
CONSTRUCTION									
Highway Construction Contracts ($ Mil)		$ 573.02	592.51	547.11	561.92	**550.99**		**-1.9**	
Value Of Construction Contracts ($ Mil)									
Residential	$ 144.7	138.6	201.5	181.3	194.2				
Nonresidential	$ 127.0	118.3	127.1	100.8	138.7				
Nonbuilding	$ 70.5	33.9	63.8	35.8	70.4				
Number Of Construction Contracts	3,424	3,071	4,042	4,045	3,860				
GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY									
Beer Sales Information									
Cases Sold	2,919,300	3,774,506	3,716,574	4,087,416	4,995,440				
Taxed Amount	$ 321,124	411,894	408,823	449,616	549,499				
Coal Exports (000 Tons)	560.5	259.3	367.5	122.0	204.2	**552.0**	-24.7	**170.3**	
Corporation Filings									
Domestic Charters	880	1,131	470	925	654	**1,158**	-4.3	**77.1**	-18.9
Amendments To Domestic Charters	73	127	45	82	90	**95**		**5.6**	
Notices of Dissolution	63	68	29	37	64	**115**		**79.7**	
Dissolutions	30	45	39	40	36	**237**	438.6	**558.3**	
Mergers or Consolidations	29	144	32	30	46	**34**	3300.0	**-26.1**	
Foreign Qualifications	126	161	42	135	154	**107**		**-30.5**	
Amendments For. Charters	16	25	8	17	20	**40**		**100.0**	
Withdrawals	9	21	12	10	37	**14**		**-62.2**	
Telephone Lines (000)	1,705.5	1,709.4	1,714.1	1,717.6	1,719.0	**1,723.6**		**0.3**	
Total Mortgage Loans Closed ($ Mil)	$ 228.6	223.5	234.6	255.2	291.7	**279.4**	26.2	**-4.2**	78.4

Economic Indicators: LOUISIANA

Categories	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	Apr 84	May 84	**Jun 84**	Per Cent Change: Latest Month: Same Month Prior Year	Per Cent Change: Latest Month: **Prior Month**	Per Cent Change: Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
Crude Petroleum Production (000 Bbl)									
Crude Runs To Stills (Daily Avg.)									
Citgo Petroleum	283,845	267,149	284,489	278,550	284,130				
Conoco Inc.	107,859	129,129	121,865	100,810	134,242				
Exxon Company	454,177	452,940	323,934	423,237	436,792				
Gulf Oil Company	187,598	195,709	187,330	191,690	188,937				
Marathon Oil	170,792	195,432	176,266	205,869	189,525				
Murphy Oil Company	57,862	57,464	54,490	58,925	58,925				
Shell Oil Company	193,397	194,796	191,437	198,004	198,004				
Tenneco Oil Company	84,627	89,252	75,558	89,404	91,938				
Texaco Inc.	134,711	120,926	124,385	134,840	127,443				
Others	103,729	160,439	149,428	152,116	130,683				
Total	1,778,597	1,863,236	1,689,182	1,833,445	1,840,619				
North Louisiana									
South Louisiana									
WELFARE ACTIVITY									
Aid To Dependent Children									
Amount Paid	$ 11,699,279	11,815,756	11,952,270	12,051,114	12,640,993	**12,600,214**			
Persons	207,676	209,570	212,048	213,816	223,238	**222,554**			
Food Stamp Information									
Coupon Value	$ 26,335,168	26,921,413	27,702,133	27,562,375	26,708,300	**26,992,011**		**1.1**	
Recipients	589,809	604,067	617,074	616,916	605,678	**607,499**		**0.3**	
Medicaid Information									
Claims	166,116	190,219	183,658	202,675	215,799	**188,142**		**-12.8**	
Payments	$ 44,358,264	55,452,016	51,041,563	57,888,474	67,955,453	**57,898,083**		**-14.8**	
Motor Fuel Consumption (Million Gallons)									
Gasoline	178.5	162.3	189.8	178.1	194.8	**219.4**	25.0	**12.6**	4.5
Highway Diesel	26.8	27.0	33.8	30.1	33.5	**41.5**	31.3	**23.9**	14.5
Highway LPG		0.6	0.6	0.5	0.6	**0.3**	-25.0	**-50.0**	
Total Fuel Consumption	205.3	189.9	224.2	208.7	228.9	**261.2**	25.9	**14.1**	5.7
Vital Statistics									
Births									
Deaths	3,017								

New Cars & Trucks Sales - Louisiana State

	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	Dec 83	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	Apr 84	May 84	**Jun 84**	Percent Change: Latest Month: Same Month Prior Year	Percent Change: Latest Month: **Prior Month**	Percent Change: Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
NEW CAR SALES															
Buick	1,080	1,429	1,082	1,145	1,104	1,040	1,098	1,104	1,029	1,221	1,279	**1,422**	11.9	**11.2**	
Cadillac	411	432	435	402	416	478	489	431	335	448	494	**432**	-8.7	**-12.6**	
Chevrolet	1,581	1,850	1,541	1,664	1,666	1,674	1,941	1,713	2,031	1,907	2,080	**2,125**	2.2	**2.2**	
Chrysler	275	315	286	271	238	245	259	282	314	283	382	**411**	26.1	**7.6**	
Datsun	713	887	792	637	595	738	779	693	559	581	622	**828**	-8.1	**33.1**	
Dodge	413	361	273	378	274	338	332	385	316	310	422	**607**	49.5	**43.8**	
Ford	1,545	1,657	1,615	2,047	1,581	1,610	1,794	1,890	1,868	1,801	1,933	**2,208**	20.9	**14.2**	
Honda	268	376	312	375	338	391	418	427	367	534	494	**471**	34.2	**-4.7**	
Lincoln	234	297	310	307	294	202	201	221	315	304	279	**319**	30.7	**14.3**	
Mazda	223	276	263	244	196	190	157	198	181	180	223	**219**	-16.4	**-1.8**	
Mercury	551	733	565	613	647	574	589	732	705	646	834	**830**	24.3	**-0.5**	
Oldsmobile	1,809	2,185	1,745	1,861	1,812	1,788	1,811	1,984	2,094	1,867	2,132	**2,120**	-4.0	**-0.6**	
Plymouth	149	171	137	210	217	286	268	215	245	206	257	**329**	93.5	**28.0**	
Pontiac	784	932	851	1,011	941	795	1,091	944	1,103	1,001	1,172	**1,239**	27.2	**5.7**	
Renault	87	161	106	108	80	102	92	115	167	81	97	**139**	15.8	**43.3**	
Toyota	878	975	703	747	803	741	835	803	544	523	550	**814**	-7.8	**48.0**	
Volkswagen	68	86	87	57	69	79	112	138	138	112	129	**101**	-5.6	**-21.7**	
Volvo	102	169	120	116	107	118	106	123	176	149	142	**163**	10.1	**14.8**	
Other	513	466	540	476	402	476	556	490	426	489	641	**584**	-0.2	**-8.9**	
Total Car Sales	11,684	13,758	11,763	12,669	11,780	11,865	12,928	12,888	12,913	12,643	14,162	**15,361**	9.7	**8.5**	
NEW TRUCK SALES															
Chevrolet	1,701	1,926	1,652	1,802	1,795	1,903	1,831	1,703	1,882	1,906	2,168	**2,158**	4.7	**-0.5**	
Datsun	243	306	251	222	118	191	208	457	348	247	322	**397**	67.5	**23.3**	
Dodge	434	529	475	455	459	517	585	641	739	803	778	**962**	49.4	**23.7**	
Ford	1,828	2,095	1,927	2,054	2,116	2,066	2,155	2,087	2,269	2,313	2,428	**2,697**	15.3	**11.1**	
GMC	462	539	383	514	493	500	509	494	484	507	697	**658**	13.4	**-5.6**	
Mazda	101	176	126	131	123	143	160	209	161	119	187	**195**	47.7	**4.3**	
Toyota	421	547	540	437	330	393	652	672	485	498	634	**845**	68.3	**33.3**	
Other	246	318	307	302	315	358	394	359	467	457	554	**575**	86.7	**3.8**	
Total Truck Sales	5,436	6,436	5,661	5,917	5,749	6,071	6,494	6,622	6,835	6,850	7,768	**8,487**	24.8	**9.3**	

Louisiana State Individual Income Tax

Louisiana General Sales Tax - By Parishes 1982 & 1983

	Year = 1982								Year = 1983					
			Individual Income Tax			General Sales Tax			Individual Income Tax			General Sales Tax		
	Population	1982 Per Capita Income	Total	Per Capita	% 1982 Per Capita Income	Total	Per Capita	% 1982 Per Capita Income	Total	Per Capita	% 1982 Per Capita Income	Total	Per Capita	% 1982 Per Capita Income
Acadia	59,369	9,078	2,180,970	36.74	0.40	6,451,146	108.66	1.20	3,646,068	61.41	0.68	4,398,694	74.09	0.82
Allen	21,739	6,589	437,202	20.11	0.31	734,275	33.78	0.51	781,767	35.96	0.55	741,159	34.09	0.52
Ascension	54,618	8,823	2,305,944	42.22	0.48	4,839,080	88.60	1.00	4,259,242	77.98	0.88	4,582,879	83.91	0.95
Assumption	23,955	8,475	748,139	31.23	0.37	804,759	33.59	0.40	1,231,210	51.40	0.61	707,164	29.52	0.35
Avoyelles	42,715	6,137	845,281	19.79	0.32	1,548,059	36.24	0.59	1,525,829	35.72	0.58	1,410,422	33.02	0.54
Beauregard	31,207	7,595	901,850	28.90	0.38	2,231,031	71.49	0.94	1,625,407	52.08	0.69	2,131,651	68.31	0.90
Bienville	16,288	7,694	367,030	22.53	0.29	369,800	22.70	0.30	682,995	41.93	0.55	413,991	25.42	0.33
Bossier	88,370	8,920	2,741,360	31.02	0.35	6,281,685	71.08	0.80	5,108,421	57.81	0.65	6,840,386	77.41	0.87
Caddo	261,817	11,705	12,369,043	47.24	0.40	44,513,539	170.02	1.45	22,804,479	87.10	0.74	43,592,733	166.50	1.42
Calcasieu	176,760	10,460	8,527,746	48.24	0.46	22,449,491	127.01	1.21	14,704,899	83.19	0.80	22,692,702	128.38	1.23
Caldwell	10,947	6,667	241,657	22.08	0.33	426,209	38.93	0.58	428,060	39.10	0.59	370,848	33.88	0.51
Cameron	10,139	10,396	517,064	51.00	0.49	510,560	50.36	0.48	904,541	89.21	0.86	527,129	51.99	0.50
Catahoula	12,326	6,600	262,105	21.26	0.32	642,369	52.11	0.79	454,810	36.90	0.56	609,866	49.48	0.75
Claiborne	18,367	8,233	529,909	28.85	0.35	885,079	48.19	0.59	868,796	47.30	0.57	844,065	45.96	0.56
Concordia	23,577	8,469	394,064	16.71	0.20	1,040,474	44.13	0.52	679,912	28.84	0.34	1,069,580	45.37	0.54
DeSoto	26,970	7,614	711,290	26.37	0.35	1,666,348	61.79	0.81	1,243,050	46.09	0.61	1,306,081	48.43	0.64
E Baton Rouge	389,503	11,912	20,855,300	53.54	0.45	69,994,517	179.70	1.51	36,336,574	93.29	0.78	71,262,773	182.96	1.54
East Carroll	11,671	6,280	170,114	14.58	0.23	501,990	43.01	0.68	313,619	26.87	0.43	478,773	41.02	0.65
East Feliciana	19,939	7,085	417,631	20.95	0.30	433,780	21.76	0.31	738,355	37.03	0.52	406,181	20.37	0.29
Evangeline	34,367	7,055	885,896	25.78	0.37	1,332,331	38.77	0.55	1,493,458	43.46	0.62	1,415,170	41.18	0.58
Franklin	24,509	5,881	387,516	15.81	0.27	905,955	36.96	0.63	658,520	26.87	0.46	941,266	38.40	0.65
Grant	17,621	6,149	371,174	21.06	0.34	189,277	10.74	0.17	692,645	39.31	0.64	170,733	9.69	0.16
Iberia	69,257	11,793	3,454,466	49.88	0.42	9,056,676	130.77	1.11	5,334,677	77.03	0.65	7,215,551	104.19	0.88
Iberville	32,981	9,348	1,219,787	36.98	0.40	2,495,484	75.66	0.81	2,224,923	67.46	0.72	2,758,504	83.64	0.89
Jackson	17,309	8,260	525,140	30.34	0.37	1,496,263	86.44	1.05	968,127	55.93	0.68	1,065,947	61.58	0.75
Jefferson	476,915	12,292	22,797,341	47.80	0.39	59,334,742	124.41	1.01	38,341,853	80.40	0.65	64,086,930	134.38	1.09
Jefferson Davis	33,017	8,071	1,186,996	35.95	0.45	2,250,965	68.18	0.84	2,012,561	60.96	0.76	1,874,734	56.78	0.70
Lafayette	169,694	14,191	11,450,966	67.48	0.48	46,929,202	276.55	1.95	18,079,647	106.54	0.75	37,848,843	223.04	1.57
Lafourche	88,349	9,842	3,913,900	44.30	0.45	5,472,212	61.94	0.63	6,134,843	69.44	0.71	5,400,071	61.12	0.62
LaSalle	17,697	6,760	499,332	28.22	0.42	1,112,391	62.86	0.93	805,740	45.53	0.67	894,975	50.57	0.75
Lincoln	41,847	8,391	1,279,476	30.58	0.36	3,515,146	84.00	1.00	2,302,541	55.02	0.66	3,451,541	82.48	0.98
Livingston	66,451	7,984	2,249,693	33.85	0.42	1,904,818	28.67	0.36	4,116,001	61.94	0.78	2,248,530	33.84	0.42
Madison	15,894	5,328	159,413	10.03	0.19	505,647	31.81	0.60	276,502	17.40	0.33	474,025	29.82	0.56
Morehouse	35,183	7,769	822,685	23.38	0.30	2,067,755	58.77	0.76	1,676,658	47.66	0.61	1,663,519	47.28	0.61
Natchitoches	40,805	6,949	955,130	23.41	0.34	2,391,431	58.61	0.84	1,681,512	41.21	0.59	2,427,376	59.49	0.86
Orleans	567,062	11,837	27,614,898	48.70	0.41	121,066,976	213.50	1.80	46,625,186	82.22	0.69	115,929,931	204.44	1.73
Ouachita	142,300	8,895	4,703,865	33.06	0.37	20,693,667	145.42	1.63	8,859,508	62.26	0.70	21,771,914	153.00	1.72
Plaquemines	26,778	11,349	1,337,601	49.95	0.44	4,860,319	181.50	1.60	2,237,564	83.56	0.74	3,696,832	138.05	1.22
Pointe Coupee	25,091	8,706	1,077,515	42.94	0.49	847,016	33.76	0.39	1,591,409	63.43	0.73	856,287	34.13	0.39
Rapides	138,346	8,242	4,069,927	29.42	0.36	12,154,223	87.85	1.07	7,710,724	55.74	0.68	12,635,359	91.33	1.11
Red River	11,114	7,097	204,973	18.44	0.26	378,710	34.08	0.48	363,824	32.74	0.46	373,779	33.63	0.47
Richland	22,785	7,435	530,768	23.29	0.31	992,010	43.54	0.59	885,906	38.88	0.52	989,231	43.42	0.58
Sabine	27,139	5,210	547,872	20.19	0.39	1,227,784	45.24	0.87	954,481	35.17	0.68	1,082,189	39.88	0.77
St Bernard	67,949	11,413	3,179,462	46.79	0.41	3,363,434	49.50	0.43	5,665,533	83.38	0.73	2,403,265	35.37	0.31
St Charles	41,103	11,193	2,252,244	54.80	0.49	6,247,942	152.01	1.36	3,958,628	96.31	0.86	2,877,417	70.01	0.63
St Helena	10,186	6,327	126,072	12.38	0.20	114,529	11.24	0.18	238,392	23.40	0.37	134,869	13.24	0.21
St James	21,970	10,652	1,089,894	49.61	0.47	1,002,413	45.63	0.43	1,918,968	87.34	0.82	1,101,744	50.15	0.47
St John	37,668	9,345	2,953,114	78.40	0.84	2,482,106	65.89	0.71	4,698,785	124.74	1.33	2,747,164	72.93	0.78
St Landry	87,800	7,832	1,364,085	15.54	0.20	6,560,646	74.72	0.95	2,158,090	24.58	0.31	5,105,021	58.14	0.74
St Martin	44,455	7,956	3,187,233	71.70	0.90	2,060,769	46.36	0.58	4,942,560	111.18	1.40	1,947,219	43.80	0.55
St Mary	66,950	11,548	5,609,671	83.79	0.73	10,249,867	153.10	1.33	9,697,164	144.84	1.25	7,007,295	104.66	0.91
St Tammany	128,130	9,609	1,787,175	13.95	0.15	6,919,960	54.01	0.56	3,156,952	24.64	0.26	9,316,515	72.71	0.76
Tangipahoa	87,863	7,597	2,109,910	24.01	0.32	5,414,344	61.62	0.81	3,614,995	41.14	0.54	5,926,027	67.45	0.89
Tensas	8,244	6,984	160,578	19.48	0.28	273,146	33.13	0.47	317,251	38.48	0.55	198,411	24.07	0.34
Terrebonne	102,038	11,037	4,649,590	45.57	0.41	15,516,154	152.06	1.38	6,720,442	65.86	0.60	11,432,619	112.04	1.02
Union	21,734	7,714	448,368	20.63	0.27	652,402	30.02	0.39	821,186	37.78	0.49	684,623	31.50	0.41
Vermilion	52,445	9,887	2,595,957	49.50	0.50	3,522,539	67.17	0.68	4,207,497	80.23	0.81	3,210,157	61.21	0.62
Vernon	61,275	7,003	730,327	11.92	0.17	1,581,026	25.80	0.37	1,373,594	22.42	0.32	2,085,166	34.03	0.49
Washington	45,765	7,700	1,005,162	21.96	0.29	1,964,399	42.92	0.56	1,758,265	38.42	0.50	1,740,296	38.03	0.49
Webster	45,205	8,722	1,312,521	29.03	0.33	2,761,257	61.08	0.70	2,370,074	52.43	0.60	2,700,587	59.74	0.68
W Baton Rouge	20,168	9,632	794,655	39.40	0.41	3,441,049	170.62	1.77	1,410,485	69.94	0.73	2,902,042	143.89	1.49
West Carroll	13,267	5,783	199,743	15.06	0.26	535,079	40.33	0.70	329,196	24.81	0.43	494,768	37.29	0.64
West Feliciana	13,269	5,801	392,193	29.56	0.51	2,551,591	192.30	3.31	630,537	47.52	0.82	2,851,065	214.87	3.70
Winn	17,575	6,673	320,616	18.24	0.27	795,675	45.27	0.68	593,617	33.78	0.51	887,100	50.48	0.76
Unidentified			1,433,767			245,017,824			2,715,538			211,935,545		
Total	4,437,847	10,213	185,472,370	41.80	0.41	796,100,874	124.18	1.22	317,664,590	71.58	0.70	735,292,543	117.93	1.16

Metropolitan Statistical Areas

New Orleans	1,281,159	11,680	57,631,120	44.98	0.39	196,933,054	153.71	1.32	97,748,151	76.30	0.65	194,614,058	151.90	1.30
Baton Rouge	530,740	11,024	26,205,593	49.38	0.45	80,179,464	151.07	1.37	46,122,302	86.90	0.79	80,996,224	152.61	1.38
Lafayette	169,694	14,191	11,450,966	67.48	0.48	46,929,202	276.55	1.95	18,079,647	106.54	0.75	37,848,843	223.04	1.57
Lake Charles	176,760	10,460	8,527,746	48.24	0.46	22,449,491	127.01	1.21	14,704,899	83.19	0.80	22,692,702	128.38	1.23
Alexandria	155,967	8,242	4,441,101	28.47	0.35	12,343,500	79.14	0.96	8,403,369	53.88	0.65	12,806,092	82.11	1.00
Shreveport	395,392	11,006	16,422,924	41.54	0.38	53,556,481	135.45	1.23	30,282,974	76.59	0.70	53,133,706	134.38	1.22
Monroe	177,483	8,895	5,526,550	31.14	0.35	22,761,422	128.25	1.44	10,536,165	59.36	0.67	23,435,433	132.04	1.48
Houma	190,387	10,482	8,563,490	44.98	0.43	20,988,366	110.24	1.05	12,855,285	67.52	0.64	16,832,690	88.41	0.84

Minimum Royalty Payment - By Parishes

Parish	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	Total Revenue
Acadia	78,913	94,186	118,030	**129,641**	214,938	214,839	279,360	264,305	**1,394,212**
Allen	48	78	101	**115**	1,481	31	501	0	**2,355**
Ascension	0	0	0	**0**	0	0	0	0	**0**
Assumption	552,509	638,665	374,800	**403,869**	474,517	598,467	685,732	485,898	**4,214,457**
Avoyelles	28,769	22,491	23,303	**27,457**	49,294	79,672	55,419	60,912	**347,317**
Beauregard	6,570	2,147	2,892	**3,961**	4,331	69,442	53,816	28,769	**171,928**
Bienville	27,788	35,472	33,986	**38,148**	45,389	37,937	15,765	17,928	**252,413**
Bossier	39,920	42,957	49,485	**51,276**	64,341	76,807	68,215	231,255	**624,256**
Caddo	364,926	419,095	391,248	**485,899**	845,517	1,321,849	1,126,677	1,631,103	**6,586,314**
Calcasieu	184,552	174,725	125,641	**158,902**	174,513	259,654	216,861	286,484	**1,581,332**
Caldwell	0	0	0	**5,918**	7,193	2,450	178	0	**15,739**
Cameron	5,608,018	7,754,286	10,158,110	**15,486,895**	20,719,468	28,361,080	28,178,936	35,665,276	**151,932,069**
Catahoula	56,509	47,356	39,423	**56,310**	137,610	281,401	127,893	153,258	**899,760**
Claiborne	1,808	1,200	1,530	**2,716**	2,431	4,331	2,936	8,549	**25,501**
Concordia	246,184	205,080	213,152	**329,212**	440,229	636,694	1,091,421	734,202	**3,896,174**
DeSoto	30,778	19,700	10,514	**20,514**	41,174	45,862	31,000	33,577	**233,119**
East Baton Rouge	297,686	234,347	202,628	**347,606**	639,728	2,215,375	1,353,321	6,271,922	**11,562,613**
East Carroll	0	0	0	**0**	0	0	0	0	**0**
East Feliciana	0	0	0	**0**	0	0	0	9,228,892	**9,228,892**
Evangeline	15,784	16,758	20,367	**20,969**	18,208	28,151	21,851	21,072	**163,160**
Franklin	0	0	0	**0**	0	0	0	0	**0**
Grant	850	705	608	**625**	660	2,587	2,166	1,516	**9,717**
Iberia	15,282,613	16,001,640	20,661,569	**21,472,481**	25,120,518	29,769,665	49,906,541	48,572,361	**226,787,388**
Iberville	69,035	165,038	135,712	**155,671**	189,381	232,610	395,195	355,971	**1,698,613**
Jackson	0	0	0	**0**	0	0	0	0	**0**
Jefferson	3,304,142	3,415,640	3,200,638	**3,933,817**	4,108,900	5,631,403	8,005,312	9,585,681	**41,185,533**
Jefferson Davis	65,435	47,819	37,369	**24,897**	21,523	57,329	473,128	615,205	**1,342,705**
Lafayette	12,457	18,757	25,158	**36,150**	100,290	91,324	85,030	105,312	**474,478**
Lafourche	16,489,030	18,912,520	23,668,439	**29,688,935**	31,523,328	42,668,635	44,306,968	35,819,264	**243,077,119**
LaSalle	459,271	375,692	365,327	**447,093**	887,521	1,811,854	1,598,258	1,534,700	**7,479,716**
Lincoln	536	532	227	**611**	369	47,412	47,394	32,066	**129,147**
Livingston	0	1,179	0	**0**	1,025	5,409	266,423	346,073	**620,109**
Madison	3,406	3,826	3,406	**40,252**	68,890	41,216	19,056	11,499	**191,551**
Morehouse	2,150	2,385	1,860	**1,042**	2,127	4,669	1,773	1,781	**17,787**
Natchitoches	133,850	152,125	169,350	**161,735**	280,542	736,418	807,906	863,783	**3,305,703**
Orleans	15,631	12,711	42,129	**49,288**	68,166	4,215,041	4,905,013	1,288,924	**10,596,903**
Ouachita	833	1,651	1,064	**1,317**	22,604	21,121	16,520	28,558	**93,668**
Plaquemines	45,387,544	50,118,546	45,328,105	**57,496,619**	76,800,921	148,903,661	142,628,153	134,729,543	**701,393,092**
Pointe Coupee	15,639	21,416	9,986	**19,026**	66,318	20,128	1,402,448	6,809,415	**8,364,376**
Rapides	0	0	0	**0**	0	0	0	0	**0**
Red River	87,333	64,920	39,683	**31,105**	35,362	71,729	72,341	74,661	**477,134**
Richland	2,902	2,936	2,289	**1,925**	2,857	6,235	5,392	3,842	**28,378**
Sabine	0	0	0	**0**	0	0	0	0	**0**
St. Bernard	3,450,720	3,349,717	3,837,574	**5,103,604**	12,180,111	21,915,350	21,191,713	19,052,587	**90,081,376**
St. Charles	1,334,647	1,226,131	1,143,309	**1,720,532**	4,123,377	5,595,500	4,189,615	3,297,735	**22,630,846**
St. Helena	0	0	0	**0**	0	0	0	0	**0**
St. James	79,782	137,973	257,595	**345,527**	318,767	371,785	429,344	306,810	**2,247,583**
St. John	18,240	1,242	88,286	**229,009**	80,723	157,351	658,429	732,977	**1,966,257**
St. Landry	76,060	111,513	103,428	**136,081**	166,685	252,272	160,365	103,345	**1,109,749**
St. Martin	1,937,846	2,346,862	2,334,468	**2,651,253**	3,684,395	5,708,222	625,777	5,352,931	**24,641,754**
St. Mary	18,034,750	19,181,245	18,966,682	**19,896,780**	21,469,379	24,971,922	22,409,433	28,009,415	**172,939,606**
St. Tammany	0	0	0	**0**	0	80,492	138,128	110,938	**329,558**
Tangipahoa	0	0	0	**0**	0	0	0	0	**0**
Tensas	7,341	1,382	5,822	**3,810**	5,072	1,836	9,133	6,654	**41,050**
Terrebonne	29,639,820	30,725,233	26,356,952	**24,571,609**	29,671,802	55,020,985	67,288,962	62,461,652	**325,737,015**
Union	285	2,863	1,761	**2,515**	2,661	1,974	158,799	65,301	**236,159**
Vermillion	9,783,749	8,397,731	9,016,148	**10,732,374**	14,804,404	21,461,797	29,504,972	21,274,675	**124,975,850**
Vernon	0	0	0	**0**	0	0	0	0	**0**
Washington	0	0	0	**0**	0	0	0	0	**0**
Webster	41	35	11	**7**	0	0	0	0	**94**
West Baton Rouge	99,664	80,706	57,291	**93,633**	196,508	199,908	2,190,490	11,220,675	**14,138,875**
West Carroll	0	0	0	**0**	0	0	0	0	**0**
West Feliciana	0	0	0	**0**	0	0	0	0	**0**
Winn	0	0	0	**0**	0	0	0	0	**0**
TOTAL	153,336,387	164,590,057	167,627,477	**196,619,933**	249,885,573	404,311,905	442,841,969	447,899,316	**2,227,112,617**

Source: Department of Natural Resources

Louisiana State Sales Tax Collections by Commodity

Categories	1982	1983	Jun 83	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	Apr 84	May 84	Jun 84	Percent Change		
										Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
										Same Month Prior Year	Prior Month	
Grocery Stores	**23,744,759**	**25,381,100**	2,046,447	2,411,239	1,983,992	2,096,939	2,549,174	2,312,564	**2,404,686**	**17.5**	**4.0**	**10.1**
Fruit & Vegetable Stores	**1,082,204**	**1,145,561**	96,705	105,914	99,656	102,050	110,356	84,754	**92,390**	**-4.5**	**9.0**	**9.2**
Meat & Seafood Stores	**3,405,760**	**3,414,495**	307,121	289,997	256,568	271,301	326,083	281,529	**327,079**	**6.5**	**16.2**	**0.3**
Restaurants & Cafes	**27,284,237**	**29,037,538**	2,563,026	2,413,925	2,236,888	2,317,625	2,540,642	2,532,889	**2,682,637**	**4.7**	**5.9**	**5.6**
Saloons, Bars, Package Liquors	**27,129,704**	**27,369,731**	2,288,035	2,695,220	1,786,236	2,051,235	2,263,967	2,145,288	**2,485,263**	**8.6**	**15.8**	**1.2**
Dairy, Egg, Poultry	**1,663,467**	**1,872,052**	191,331	174,017	132,220	153,633	181,149	164,522	**178,262**	**-6.8**	**8.4**	**19.4**
Bakeries	**664,543**	**629,917**	47,393	58,080	55,289	51,422	55,633	58,401	**50,133**	**5.8**	**-14.2**	**1.1**
Chain Stores (Food)	**6,308,190**	**6,255,457**	497,860	674,025	572,323	347,239	373,462	402,688	**368,287**	**-26.0**	**-8.5**	**-11.6**
Other Foods	**13,017,881**	**13,405,241**	1,097,905	1,381,471	1,080,763	1,135,190	1,358,039	1 226,031	**1,394,050**	**27.0**	**13.7**	**14.2**
Men and Boy's Clothing	**3,389,381**	**3,300,023**	291,401	550,241	230,228	208,488	254,984	306,349	**275,888**	**-5.3**	**-9.9**	**-1.1**
Women's Ready To Wear	**6,883,943**	**6,878,859**	587,393	953,230	472,562	463,424	652,718	657,576	**604,470**	**2.9**	**-8.1**	**4.4**
Millinery	**5,334,023**	**5,812,964**	423,838	977,437	314,673	321,601	421,659	488,765	**519,595**	**22.6**	**6.3**	**2.0**
Shoe Stores	**11,547,959**	**7,831,831**	519,909	874,678	428,068	461,372	580,442	699,420	**562,010**	**8.1**	**-19.6**	**-31.7**
Salvage Clothing	**33,125**	**52,793**	3,597	5,681	3,972	5,149	5,235	3,812	**3,923**	**9.1**	**2.9**	**21.4**
Children's Clothing	**512,907**	**525,921**	35,930	55,553	41,614	35,913	51,621	47,177	**30,242**	**-15.8**	**-35.9**	**-0.9**
Chain Stores (Clothing)	**41,769**	**24,352**	3,102	761	384	250	0	381	**0**			
Other Apparel	**6,980,025**	**7,161,148**	578,710	1,158,076	530,646	492,921	651,836	661,043	**660,976**	**14.2**	**-0.0**	**14.3**
Department Stores	**20,864,177**	**26,223,740**	2,208,437	4,627,622	1,685,660	1,887,782	2,440,031	2,421,427	**2,507,851**	**13.6**	**3.6**	**29.9**
Country & Farm Stores	**136,307**	**121,505**	6,150	15,451	3,973	4,180	6,165	3,676	**5,314**	**-13.6**	**44.6**	**-32.3**
Variety Stores	**20,927,326**	**21,461,157**	1,685,145	3,623,937	1,186,646	1,353,668	1,655,385	1,961,359	**2,303,437**	**36.7**	**17.4**	**5.5**
Drug Stores	**11,001,912**	**11,602,697**	965,469	1,669,439	889,037	930,502	957,118	1,032,187	**1,036,493**	**7.4**	**0.4**	**5.8**
Jewelry, Leather, Sporting Goods	**12,783,696**	**14,414,147**	1,176,057	3,039,473	869,472	883,659	1,005,031	1,136,982	**1,247,197**	**6.0**	**9.7**	**4.4**
Feed & Seed	**1,453,850**	**1,434,937**	123,654	149,477	109,798	120,086	162,149	190,562	**141,348**	**14.3**	**-25.8**	**16.3**
Hardware Stores	**13,861,154**	**12,844,865**	1,100,412	1,160,821	1,023,240	973,822	1,174,007	1,114,172	**1,222,411**	**11.1**	**9.7**	**2.8**
Farm Implement Dealers	**7,239,677**	**6,195,002**	567,289	408,257	433,917	481,391	544,374	674,099	**727,674**	**28.3**	**7.9**	**7.7**
Chain Stores (General)	**22,029,892**	**22,162,086**	1,904,222	3,078,209	1,397,244	1,489,074	1,702,510	1,759,807	**2,032,594**	**6.7**	**15.5**	**5.3**
Other General Merchandise	**12,281,444**	**11,244,472**	885,088	1,570,480	698,330	715,194	966,133	935,675	**991,342**	**12.0**	**5.9**	**-2.8**
Motor Vehicle Dealers	**8,234,199**	**8,052,044**	677,470	640,125	666,044	666,072	698,842	677,062	**714,546**	**5.5**	**5.5**	**5.3**
Auto Parts, Tires	**21,152,837**	**21,360,877**	1,876,059	1,799,437	1,666,398	1,749,563	1,849,649	1,951,230	**2,044,180**	**9.0**	**4.8**	**7.1**
Service Stations	**8,707,536**	**8,947,964**	587,327	944,370	275,719	638,519	572,054	631,362	**851,342**	**45.0**	**34.8**	**-10.8**
Garages, Repair Shops	**9,834,715**	**9,427,830**	763,481	872,278	786,762	760,714	969,026	806,416	**835,215**	**9.4**	**3.6**	**4.0**
Diesel Fuel, Fuel Oil	**474,089**	**582,261**	27,153	240,081	53,281	37,230	257,108	85,478	**47,607**	**75.3**	**-44.3**	**141.1**
Marine Supplies	**2.292,442**	**1,582,057**	166,933	189,666	106,296	134,376	150,016	136,064	**138,280**	**-17.2**	**1.6**	**-12.6**
Motor Boats	**1,316,565**	**1,108,908**	127,451	67,055	44,204	97,259	131,835	120,811	**134,037**	**5.2**	**10.9**	**-3.6**
Aircraft	**759,352**	**497,852**	32,480	53,008	39,507	33,952	46,709	32,027	**33,821**	**4.1**	**5.6**	**-7.2**
Chain Stores (Auto)	**11,075,342**	**12,563,658**	544,234	798,910	773,757	1,046,462	824,563	664,111	**1,007,498**	**85.1**	**51.7**	**10.6**
Other Automotive	**1,177,057**	**1,008,012**	75,080	99,118	73,350	66,003	58,391	97,851	**106,192**	**41.4**	**8.5**	**-1.1**
Furniture Stores	**7,865,410**	**7,973,149**	669,816	906,737	596,911	628,710	696,765	657,420	**728,814**	**8.8**	**10.9**	**9.5**
Electric & Gas App	**12,289,457**	**13,511,204**	1,092,773	1,653,141	1,083,642	961,855	1,232,564	1,267,284	**1,315,146**	**20.3**	**3.8**	**13.6**
Butane Dealers	**10,808,841**	**7,690,840**	631,763	789,932	756,516	648,040	648,640	691,078	**690,945**	**9.4**	**-0.0**	**-10.0**
Store, Office Furniture	**10,577,022**	**10,748,882**	709,545	1,394,910	1,598,089	1,150,845	1,126,683	1,131,957	**1,216,534**	**71.5**	**7.5**	**41.4**
Hotel, Restaurant Supplies	**2,530,465**	**4,255,817**	234,376	216,401	192,420	211,433	255,489	219,149	**266,176**	**13.6**	**21.5**	**59.3**
Awnings, Blinds, Upholstery	**3,268,459**	**3,108,648**	269,017	259,912	294,736	292,469	282,617	303,231	**313,475**	**16.5**	**3.4**	**11.1**
Dental, Medical Supplies	**3,661,043**	**4,280,894**	393,364	280,975	265,672	313,913	306,381	327,716	**375,043**	**-4.7**	**14.4**	**10.4**
Safes, Locks	**429,823**	**417,949**	28,077	48,654	28,177	27,273	56,395	35,348	**32,694**	**16.4**	**-7.5**	**2.5**
Chain Stores (Furniture)	**7,647**	**10,682**	1,821	498	1,757	317	325	1,877	**1,192**	**-34.5**	**-36.5**	
Other Furniture	**2,734,289**	**3,181,748**	254,280	330,181	276,738	260,963	289,104	264,932	**309,876**	**21.9**	**17.0**	**14.8**
Bldg Contractors, Construction	**2,693,511**	**2,085,308**	168,890	149,090	118,997	166,398	198,744	206,268	**191,228**	**13.2**	**-7.3**	**3.4**
Lumber, Paint, Wallpaper Stores	**36,831,502**	**42,595,328**	3,925,599	3,339,570	2,809,748	3,493,627	4,160,704	4,391,591	**4,367,054**	**11.2**	**-0.6**	**20.5**
Electric, Plumbing, Elevators	**26,962,667**	**23,903,665**	2,071,386	2,022,391	2,446,956	2,465,258	3,307,178	2,724,133	**2,997,351**	**44.7**	**10.0**	**10.1**
Oil Well Equipment	**49,203,655**	**24,701,963**	1,620,643	2,537,761	2,230,371	2,259,629	2,756,616	2,996,452	**2,720,817**	**67.9**	**-9.2**	**-7.9**
Contractors (Elect)	**2,283,665**	**2,108,270**	171,901	202,016	342,106	176,014	184,749	203,886	**195,509**	**13.7**	**-4.1**	**14.1**
Contractors (Paint)	**146,488**	**131,548**	10,394	12,634	9,074	11,881	16,850	16,458	**11,650**	**12.1**	**-29.2**	**6.5**
Contractors (Roofing)	**454,881**	**513,978**	27,770	33,136	40,827	41,405	48,117	43,811	**48,663**	**75.2**	**11.1**	**11.9**
Trucks, Dragline, Etc.	**24,988,027**	**19,987,426**	1,002,767	1,771,035	1,452,285	1,652,419	1,756,180	1,690,214	**2,008,964**	**100.3**	**18.9**	**-3.0**
Chain Stores (Lumber)	**15**	**0**	0	0	0	0	0	0	**0**			
Other Contractors	**5,579,090**	**4,708,506**	371,410	426,373	293,098	325,880	422,204	371,690	**381,067**	**2.6**	**2.5**	**-1.9**
Hotels, Motels, Etc.	**10,071,000**	**9,956,136**	907,735	803,409	748,438	826,562	984,066	1,020,401	**984,262**	**8.4**	**-3.5**	**6.8**
Leasing, Renting	**26,239,810**	**22,822,322**	1,359,103	2,389,603	1,461,700	1,592,226	1,919,509	2,721,620	**1,665,051**	**22.5**	**-38.8**	**-9.8**
Bowling, Billiards	**142,990**	**152,936**	10,403	15,553	23,106	16,966	19,957	18,003	**16,584**	**59.4**	**-7.9**	**27.9**
Laundry, Tailoring	**3,264,509**	**3,292,742**	273,115	318,783	280,099	365,577	337,947	306,733	**286,870**	**5.0**	**-6.5**	**8.8**
Newspapers, Printing	**7,771,927**	**7,352,909**	573,887	613,648	607,082	693,672	729,683	669,630	**706,386**	**23.1**	**5.5**	**5.3**
Cotton Gins, Etc.	**4,647**	**11,069**	417	609	486	815	1,215	1,321	**1,096**	**162.8**	**-17.0**	**5.0**
Warehouses	**425,406**	**508,029**	48,939	108,031	28,001	19,264	44,797	37,272	**39,288**	**-19.7**	**5.4**	**-19.8**
Shoe Repair, Shine	**174,698**	**177,034**	11,586	23,246	13,457	13,968	18,348	12,402	**11,933**	**3.0**	**-3.8**	**-1.5**

Louisiana State Sales Tax Collections by Commodity

										Percent Change		
										Latest Month		Latest 12 Months
	1982	1983	Jun 83	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	Apr 84	May 84	Jun 84	Same Month Prior Year	Prior Month	Compared With Prior 12 Months
Machine Shops, Welding	8,754,350	6,462,477	502,702	686,674	616,849	558,507	589,816	536,604	569,815	13.4	6.2	-6.4
Other Service Groups	6,078,216	6,486,991	515,626	553,011	448,095	439,047	559,714	600,596	613,924	19.1	2.2	11.4
Beverage Bottlers	4,931,515	4,983,043	447,632	338,124	331,269	384,843	407,970	430,899	525,365	17.4	21.9	4.6
Sugar Refineries	135,667	90,561	3,786	15,630	8,924	6,053	6,328	7,720	8,485	124.1	9.9	-2.8
Petroleum, Natural Gas	1,744,043	1,789,537	107,207	177,767	120,110	127,624	121,090	98,976	1,365,506	1173.7	1279.6	33.9
Petroleum Refineries	8,720,419	3,508,428	399,712	264,841	322,947	1,051,086	301,397	273,984	320,148	-19.9	16.8	-45.1
Sawmills, Sash & Door	317,022	120,332	7,200	11,113	10,459	7,178	6,592	9,860	8,236	14.4	-16.5	-69.4
Sand & Gravel	3,265,240	3,185,730	258,999	243,231	216,502	250,870	331,775	336,198	296,992	14.7	-11.7	17.4
Rice Mills	10,569	30,885	841	2,321	1,306	1,002	1,762	626	242	-71.2	-61.3	140.4
Cotton Seed Oil	21,800	27,030	2,835	2,790	2,190	1,748	2,477	3,599	2,830	-0.2	-21.4	0.1
Ice Manufacture	259,080	235,530	22,444	9,777	6,337	7,883	11,509	12,954	25,042	11.6	93.3	-3.6
Other Manufacturers	75,852,081	58,117,420	5,407,055	4,853,805	4,591,089	5,123,336	7,415,381	10,050,028	5,141,845	-4.9	-48.8	-0.0
Railroads	3,375	223	0	22	0	0	47	0	0			
Bus Lines, Etc.	3,241	2,504	26	452	71	0	174	6	107,351			
Pullman, Tank Cars	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Trucking, Freight, Etc.	19,339	24,983	4,268	2,486	985	987	1,019	564	2,113	-50.5	274.6	47.1
Fire Protection	264,164	241,756	18,385	19,825	30,160	25,172	19,659	22,291	19,704	7.2	-11.6	7.2
Pipelines	29,868	27,981	320	666	2,160	3,566	1,993	1,234	666	108.1	-46.0	-57.5
Light, Power, Gas	1,115,180	973,003	87,919	97,437	67,071	119,065	92,929	68,376	90,820	3.3	32.8	-4.1
Telephone, Telegraph	116,930	103,973	9,213	6,349	3,428	10,804	7,485	11,196	8,295	-10.0	-25.9	-22.7
Other Utilities	1,273,164	2,963,612	209,239	31,091	89,704	35,595	81,383	73,467	267,201	27.7	263.7	-18.4
Book Stores, Etc.	4,239,180	3,682,533	250,166	400,129	415,064	308,554	271,207	322,093	256,305	2.5	-20.4	-7.3
Itinerant Vendors	132,011	108,053	8,896	9,384	7,654	7,525	10,002	8,030	9,615	8.1	19.7	-10.8
Piano, Musical Instruments	3,692,987	3,334,571	261,092	499,866	235,066	247,467	284,297	229,827	225,323	-13.7	-2.0	-6.3
Iron, Sheet Metal, Etc.	735,413	548,730	50,375	49,868	42,784	44,725	56,393	49,232	49,944	-0.9	1.4	-8.2
Photo Studios	2,865,013	2,908,090	234,098	307,640	206,022	210,220	259,537	247,728	271,632	16.0	9.6	2.2
Cigar Stores, News	5,428,202	5,904,223	500,411	546,413	434,693	477,784	480,408	456,929	508,417	1.6	11.3	5.3
Florists, Nurseries	2,601,671	2,651,028	288,820	304,515	165,621	225,966	287,691	350,263	298,183	3.2	-14.9	5.9
Funeral Parlors	1,133,788	1,222,751	105,248	113,283	119,507	106,109	120,236	102,714	107,979	2.6	5.1	5.9
Fishing Bait	1,476,401	1,679,656	125,102	90,285	135,149	96,052	106,721	101,759	93,614	-25.2	-8.0	-4.1
Miscellaneous	77,934,308	112,009,119	5,883,736	6,416,410	5,702,327	5,344,434	6,668,810	5,584,807	5,951,930	1.2	6.6	-36.9
Common Carriers	4,584,844	3,219,598	241,294	284,849	281,021	227,548	287,530	269,421	257,631	6.8	-4.4	-7.4
Total Sales Tax	796,100,874	735,292,543	59,929,466	76,887,384	55,684,231	58,740,662	69,253,372	71,183,789	70,130,264	17.0	-1.5	4.1

Louisiana State Sales Tax Collections by Parishes

											Percent Change		
											Latest Month		Latest
	Pop	1982	1983	Jun 83	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	Apr 84	May 84	Jun 84	Same Month Prior Year	Prior Month	12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
Acadia	59,369	6,451,146	4,398,694	351,473	426,461	304,864	346,771	410,815	348,359	371,182	5.6	6.6	-23.1
Allen	21,739	734,275	741,159	58,534	86,945	51,128	57,737	72,869	66,930	66,318	13.3	-0.9	11.2
Ascension	54,618	4,839,080	4,582,879	363,472	505,399	338,401	396,056	463,741	443,685	454,201	25.0	2.4	14.5
Assumption	23,955	804,759	707,164	62,660	62,926	49,727	47,286	65,107	60,738	58,976	-5.9	-2.9	-2.5
Avoyelles	42,715	1,548,059	1,410,422	125,369	145,921	88,862	104,055	128,656	136,324	134,974	7.7	-1.0	-0.2
Beauregard	31,207	2,231,031	2,131,651	203,897	234,588	145,094	150,702	1,496,371	234,154	175,609	-13.9	-25.0	61.0
Bienville	16,188	369,800	413,991	63,445	46,172	34,119	31,757	45,747	34,259	33,947	-46.5	-0.9	7.2
Bossier	88,370	6,281,685	6,840,386	565,485	755,941	493,071	517,318	632,799	601,337	711,145	25.8	18.3	13.8
Caddo	261,817	44,513,539	43,592,733	3,598,093	4,297,354	3,229,687	3,262,456	3,837,227	3,912,576	5,364,947	49.1	37.1	5.3
Calcasieu	176,760	22,449,491	22,692,702	1,854,491	2,235,490	1,585,443	1,676,471	1,927,083	1,984,993	2,345,348	26.5	18.2	8.3
Caldwell	10,947	426,209	370,848	26,661	41,518	40,446	26,536	30,156	28,264	29,117	9.2	3.0	6.3
Cameron	10,139	510,560	527,129	36,149	41,306	32,214	36,835	73,190	46,379	43,505	20.3	-6.2	31.9
Catahoula	12,326	642,369	609,866	46,957	63,828	39,362	46,618	53,215	52,153	58,519	24.6	12.2	8.2
Claiborne	18,367	885,079	844,065	64,326	93,999	60,882	67,608	73,973	70,666	76,196	18.5	7.8	6.6
Concordia	23,577	1,040,474	1,069,580	93,804	113,812	70,253	87,650	97,422	113,147	111,473	18.8	-1.5	15.3
Desoto	26,970	1,666,348	1,306,081	115,393	125,205	90,544	81,905	337,119	106,299	138,937	20.4	30.7	-2.5
East Baton Rouge	389,503	69,994,517	71,262,773	5,791,288	7,887,070	5,393,569	5,536,886	6,354,735	7,069,142	6,385,220	10.3	-9.7	10.5
East Carroll	11,671	501,990	478,773	33,888	42,761	36,626	46,400	49,262	53,412	52,660	55.4	-1.4	17.1
East Feliciana	19,939	433,780	406,181	29,793	50,022	30,013	39,595	47,782	46,421	34,885	17.1	-24.9	18.5
Evangeline	34,367	1,332,331	1,415,170	106,823	168,283	104,104	124,463	148,794	149,336	147,466	38.0	-1.3	27.4
Franklin	24,509	905,955	941,266	83,717	90,709	59,151	75,460	86,930	90,030	90,149	7.7	0.1	11.0
Grant	17,621	189,277	170,733	15,279	23,025	11,545	11,169	22,635	12,825	11,144	-27.1	-13.1	9.8
Iberia	69,257	9,056,676	7,215,551	587,202	712,616	630,847	554,640	665,994	1,219,975	690,466	17.6	-43.4	7.7
Iberville	32,981	2,495,484	2,753,504	178,585	65,663	311,691	263,850	389,103	206,495	270,191	51.3	30.8	37.0
Jackson	17,309	1,496,263	1,065,947	88,526	113,887	63,389	58,734	87,554	1,131,185	136,206	53.9	-88.0	90.7
Jefferson	476,915	59,334,742	64,086,930	4,990,232	6,836,622	5,269,472	5,740,902	6,297,965	6,261,577	6,654,226	33.3	6.3	24.7
Jefferson Davis	33,017	2,250,965	1,874,734	143,582	265,685	138,355	117,082	208,942	191,405	191,393	33.3	-0.0	11.6
Lafayette	169,694	46,929,202	37,848,843	2,992,100	4,337,235	3,033,640	3,088,381	3,426,147	3,272,722	3,626,842	21.2	10.8	-0.3
Lafourche	88,349	5,472,212	5,400,071	421,929	505,859	357,415	441,028	830,604	536,855	468,418	11.0	-12.7	13.8
Lasalle	17,697	1,112,391	894,975	66,644	123,153	66,616	77,357	90,778	90,576	86,658	30.0	-4.3	5.1
Lincoln	41,847	3,515,146	3,451,541	266,227	332,637	233,011	240,393	321,019	279,901	309,437	16.2	10.6	6.4
Livingston	66,451	1,904,818	2,248,530	200,437	219,264	150,216	162,959	217,187	221,585	200,212	-0.1	-9.6	21.4
Madison	15,894	505,647	474,025	39,227	53,396	27,461	37,558	41,179	40,962	51,931	32.4	26.8	2.0
Morehouse	35,183	2,067,755	1,663,519	113,143	158,352	196,652	146,543	580,585	128,751	177,211	56.6	37.6	31.1
Natchitoches	40,805	2,391,431	2,427,376	218,545	221,852	168,699	565,083	166,077	201,391	221,195	1.2	9.8	18.9
Orleans	567,062	121,066,976	115,929,931	10,942,028	11,678,991	7,871,508	8,314,962	9,686,909	9,390,036	10,105,961	-7.6	7.6	-2.8
Ouachita	142,300	20,693,667	21,771,914	1,771,530	2,447,809	1,513,242	1,598,819	2,380,468	1,912,026	2,146,809	21.2	12.3	8.6
Plaquemines	26,778	4,860,319	3,696,832	413,261	343,785	265,248	306,084	321,374	237,682	295,155	-28.6	24.2	-8.8
Pointe Coupee	25,091	847,016	856,287	81,451	70,731	58,746	75,893	72,558	74,935	70,582	-13.3	-5.8	8.7
Rapides	138,346	12,154,223	12,635,359	1,126,338	1,372,760	990,325	1,024,106	1,173,974	1,259,766	1,277,271	13.4	1.4	7.5
Red River	11,114	378,710	373,779	28,085	41,458	28,084	26,000	32,418	33,542	34,303	22.1	2.3	10.3
Richland	22,785	992,010	989,231	80,207	95,500	65,724	72,583	100,421	85,055	67,276	-16.1	-20.9	10.0
Sabine	27,139	1,227,784	1,082,189	4,844	107,815	80,756	68,669	102,393	102,669	105,476	2077.5	2.7	5.9
St. Bernard	67,949	3,363,434	2,403,265	200,213	216,809	146,587	181,175	189,958	150,634	287,329	43.5	90.7	-22.8
St. Charles	41,103	6,274,942	2,877,417	307,564	269,463	246,095	1,033,016	232,329	355,638	268,406	-12.7	-24.5	-29.7
St. Helena	10,186	114,529	134,869	17,462	20,128	11,006	17,500	28,638	18,757	12,508	-28.4	-33.3	91.4
St. James	21,970	1,002,413	1,101,744	77,813	107,713	67,438	103,766	105,659	96,369	76,519	-1.7	-20.6	3.3
St. John	37,668	2,482,106	2,747,164	257,225	282,666	251,672	232,285	296,554	268,070	462,709	79.9	72.6	55.1
St. Landry	87,800	6,560,646	5,105,021	122,452	552,515	446,327	405,403	450,969	486,589	478,945	291.1	-1.6	0.0
St. Martin	44,455	2,060,769	1,947,219	166,278	189,067	134,941	131,954	191,509	153,946	177,617	6.8	15.4	12.4
St. Mary	66,950	10,249,867	7,007,295	616,397	676,203	555,951	543,298	581,527	614,924	636,727	3.3	3.5	-15.5
St. Tammany	128,130	6,919,960	9,316,515	728,927	936,744	637,247	816,262	968,912	916,897	956,935	31.3	4.4	33.8
Tangipahoa	87,863	5,414,344	5,926,027	500,430	558,416	384,917	405,092	512,003	508,773	528,988	5.7	4.0	2.1
Tensas	8,244	273,146	198,411	18,776	16,338	12,198	10,752	18,805	17,324	17,618	-6.2	1.7	-16.0
Terrebonne	102,038	15,516,154	11,432,619	923,350	1,200,920	458,957	879,875	993,870	960,848	1,022,377	10.7	6.4	-17.9
Union	21,734	652,402	684,623	50,234	58,385	49,017	51,466	71,557	57,947	50,750	1.0	-12.4	-0.0
Vermillion	52,445	3,522,539	3,210,157	284,249	316,741	244,387	230,612	385,765	261,623	262,569	-7.6	0.4	-1.3
Vernon	61,275	1,581,026	2,085,166	166,748	217,009	150,939	158,485	191,240	194,938	196,155	17.6	0.6	17.9
Washington	45,765	1,964,399	1,740,296	157,401	216,706	119,354	134,472	170,523	165,031	155,590	-1.2	-5.7	10.1
Webster	45,205	2,761,257	2,700,587	211,308	282,811	182,191	193,515	253,368	230,708	262,124	24.0	13.6	0.4
West Baton Rouge	20,168	3,441,049	2,902,042	216,629	196,034	113,694	124,329	187,897	149,630	122,223	-43.6	-18.3	-13.5
West Carroll	13,267	535,079	494,768	40,498	49,363	34,265	21,619	42,874	45,096	52,029	28.5	15.4	2.0
West Feliciana	13,269	2,551,591	2,851,065	165,423	197,960	160,172	161,364	99,993	2,924,158	250,040	51.2	-91.4	64.3
Winn	17,575	795,675	887,100	70,919	101,816	71,926	75,215	92,547	77,019	83,355	17.5	8.2	21.7
Out Of State		245,017,824	211,935,545	16,523,332	22,579,064	17,394,745	17,075,846	19,534,243	19,988,352	19,685,395	19.1	-1.5	-1.4
Total Sales Tax	4,437,847	796,100,874	735,292,543	59,929,466	76,887,384	55,684,231	58,740,662	69,253,372	71,183,789	70,130,264	17.0	-1.5	4.1

Louisiana State Severence Tax Collections by Parishes

											Percent Change		
											Latest Month		Latest
	Pop	1982	1983	**Jun 83**	**Jan 84**	Feb 84	Mar 84	Apr 84	May 84	**Jun 84**	Same Month Prior Year	**Prior Month**	12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
Acadia	59,369	**19,792,894**	**19,345,381**	1,408,996	498,223	2,169,864	1,216,003	1,594,964	1,589,128	**1,573,864**	11.7	**-1.0**	-4.2
Allen	21,739	**2,616,917**	**2,526,225**	189,561	210,950	360,162	209,671	232,250	238,853	**261,965**	38.2	**9.7**	5.1
Ascension	54,618	**1,728,485**	**1,691,156**	72,208	139,031	181,516	157,647	139,218	115,592	**129,665**	79.6	**12.2**	-12.4
Assumption	23,995	**7,153,096**	**5,295,410**	244,169	416,859	629,459	423,474	442,834	555,093	**514,754**	110.8	**-7.3**	-7.9
Avoyelles	42,715	**851,665**	**859,805**	50,769	56,194	106,108	92,620	111,317	115,137	**125,894**	148.0	**9.3**	23.9
Beauregard	31,207	**7,143,826**	**6,435,831**	492,810	574,928	743,954	489,073	412,782	603,808	**586,444**	19.0	**-2.9**	-4.7
Bienville	16,288	**3,025,677**	**2,897,513**	175,622	293,588	790,772	519,995	342,916	259,621	**255,514**	45.5	**-1.6**	35.6
Bossier	88,370	**11,362,772**	**12,162,276**	1,074,307	1,056,883	1,000,902	808,676	921,962	1,087,446	**607,259**	-43.5	**-44.2**	-2.6
Caddo	261,817	**12,505,030**	**16,008,108**	1,098,516	984,370	980,033	1,116,186	982,055	980,976	**740,876**	-32.6	**-24.5**	-29.1
Calcasieu	176,760	**14,322,911**	**15,046,901**	1,177,778	1,405,460	1,745,268	1,275,271	1,418,482	1,305,288	**1,653,951**	40.4	**26.7**	17.7
Caldwell	10,947	**424,647**	**502,432**	25,735	38,104	54,214	27,555	28,943	32,681	**31,739**	23.3	**-2.9**	26.8
Cameron	10,139	**41,953,339**	**44,048,971**	2,957,556	3,346,764	5,065,241	3,497,547	3,508,892	3,801,869	**3,601,462**	21.8	**-5.3**	4.4
Catahoula	12,326	**6,404,768**	**5,739,245**	523,264	730,286	540,338	273,749	804,397	506,470	**523,633**	0.1	**3.4**	4.5
Claiborne	18,367	**26,917,538**	**21,319,942**	1,709,948	1,724,946	2,050,877	1,837,099	1,406,125	1,692,284	**1,474,225**	-13.8	**-12.9**	17.0
Concordia	23,577	**10,749,463**	**9,184,582**	691,479	1,462,916	1,002,597	845,751	908,560	915,480	**789,192**	14.1	**-13.8**	5.0
Desoto	26,970	**7,824,689**	**5,891,650**	436,206	325,190	529,002	417,662	427,309	402,035	**405,237**	-7.1	**0.8**	-16.2
East Baton Rouge	389,503	**25,158,593**	**21,416,104**	1,495,190	1,013,905	2,538,368	1,907,798	2,013,289	2,255,754	**2,122,697**	42.0	**-5.9**	-12.6
East Carroll	11,671	**15,019**	**6,569**	0	37	0	2,108	665	116	**43**		**-62.9**	
East Feliciana	19,939	**2,007,452**	**829,948**	44,278	52,706	76,025	68,326	39,312	73,117	**48,816**	10.2	**-33.2**	-72.9
Evangeline	34,367	**6,750,984**	**6,122,665**	546,287	716,502	534,244	819,081	634,420	555,641	**557,434**	2.0	**0.3**	11.9
Franklin	24,509	**476,656**	**395,259**	36,570	62,603	40,193	38,554	50,595	30,919	**40,546**	10.9	**31.1**	19.6
Grant	17,621	**865,413**	**465,991**	21,503	35,271	52,872	41,974	44,908	40,513	**51,653**	140.2	**27.5**	-14.5
Iberia	69,257	**39,406,896**	**33,521,700**	2,136,449	2,652,593	4,135,202	2,152,597	1,392,656	3,825,149	**2,336,511**	9.4	**-38.9**	-10.9
Iberville	32,981	**15,863,899**	**15,327,388**	1,027,239	1,369,380	2,050,619	1,252,714	713,227	1,779,392	**711,879**	-30.7	**-60.0**	1.7
Jackson	17,309	**2,048,010**	**1,856,611**	111,918	180,043	203,847	180,297	146,037	153,304	**179,856**	60.7	**17.3**	0.7
Jefferson	476,915	**27,535,931**	**19,127,157**	1,363,105	1,638,337	2,400,914	1,790,201	1,769,223	1,983,292	**1,683,400**	23.5	**-15.1**	-17.9
Jefferson Davis	33,017	**15,362,034**	**14,320,220**	968,633	1,197,910	1,780,280	1,113,801	1,192,040	1,144,110	**1,002,486**	3.5	**-12.4**	-7.4
Lafayette	169,694	**5,212,790**	**4,530,475**	360,778	443,695	559,342	588,735	510,163	507,170	**548,810**	52.1	**8.2**	11.1
Lafourche	88,349	**64,546,371**	**56,652,150**	4,229,578	4,232,440	6,019,691	4,412,282	4,147,368	4,700,750	**4,654,687**	10.1	**-1.0**	-3.2
Lincoln	41,847	**5,623,062**	**5,137,179**	368,530	504,029	713,430	438,500	352,910	377,207	**391,099**	6.1	**3.7**	13.9
Livingston	66,451	**2,607,771**	**9,854,735**	223,336	957,872	1,348,909	1,200,846	1,505,910	1,480,861	**1,336,258**	498.3	**-9.8**	219.4
Madison	15,894	**275,144**	**206,355**	14,395	24,309	25,953	23,710	29,500	23,607	**16,495**	14.6	**-30.1**	54.7
Morehouse	35,183	**314,029**	**311,178**	33,956	20,176	28,404	21,598	20,014	23,095	**19,141**	-43.6	**-17.1**	-3.2
Natchitoches	40,805	**14,262,125**	**12,660,107**	1,478,837	1,115,125	1,063,879	1,024,500	1,070,171	953,857	**980,957**	-33.7	**2.8**	-5.0
Orleans	567,062	**364,938**	**448,401**	8,579	50,625	28,529	25,147	32,837	23,095	**18,035**	110.2	**-21.9**	-20.8
Ouachita	142,300	**1,956,512**	**1,923,067**	137,708	173,617	226,277	138,376	171,246	149,493	**142,901**	3.8	**-4.4**	-7.5
Plaquemines	26,778	**204,145,143**	**167,741,282**	12,461,895	18,048,242	17,653,477	12,683,502	11,154,158	15,981,065	**11,161,175**	-10.4	**-30.2**	-11.5
Pointe Coupee	25,091	**13,688,798**	**14,004,909**	1,160,462	1,075,449	2,035,094	1,256,428	1,102,815	1,125,447	**1,217,540**	4.9	**8.2**	2.0
Rapides	138,346	**2,393,945**	**1,705,830**	158,833	109,151	133,705	40,655	216,792	130,317	**139,747**	-12.0	**7.2**	-24.2
Red River	11,114	**1,543,461**	**1,125,907**	85,215	88,393	121,313	77,440	76,794	71,178	**75,423**	-11.5	**6.0**	-15.8
Richland	22,785	**12,837,375**	**8,274,241**	700,515	503,915	921,958	433,386	492,120	441,310	**455,202**	-35.0	**3.1**	-32.1
Sabine	27,139	**2,096,841**	**1,795,779**	142,052	128,382	146,966	155,400	163,311	146,954	**156,092**	9.9	**6.2**	-8.7
St. Bernard	67,949	**12,687,999**	**11,476,777**	932,449	1,794,219	2,224,684	1,645,006	1,145,241	1,798,146	**1,842,214**	97.6	**2.5**	51.3
St. Charles	41,103	**19,169,678**	**16,058,381**	1,253,069	1,671,399	2,855,646	1,520,160	691,821	2,538,531	**842,832**	-32.7	**-66.8**	5.1
St. Helena	10,186	**1,450,461**	**2,818,427**	217,278	461,163	275,538	285,893	300,062	289,749	**273,863**	26.0	**-5.5**	51.1
St. James	21,970	**2,918,261**	**2,631,727**	129,374	253,113	382,081	320,975	237,361	191,629	**267,798**	107.0	**39.7**	18.4
St. John	37,668	**2,490,816**	**1,632,620**	122,449	127,416	233,040	110,179	112,122	126,719	**102,260**	-16.5	**-19.3**	-49.9
St. Landry	87,800	**9,496,744**	**7,647,160**	572,442	623,586	796,416	594,893	577,408	652,594	**563,951**	-1.5	**-13.6**	-15.6
St. Martin	44,455	**28,387,940**	**22,857,804**	1,646,951	1,668,976	2,359,117	1,685,679	1,492,793	2,312,215	**1,554,088**	-5.6	**-32.8**	-9.9
St. Mary	66,950	**43,836,180**	**35,009,265**	2,309,389	2,402,534	3,447,456	2,754,798	2,015,994	3,301,114	**2,417,048**	4.7	**-26.8**	-18.1
St. Tammany	128,130	**261,238**	**235,989**	17,188	26,200	8,163	24,141	23,945	20,065	**21,834**	27.0	**8.8**	14.7
Tangipahoa	87,863	**340,969**	**251,271**	23,627	25,855	10,863	24,842	20,341	22,223	**19,187**	-18.8	**-13.7**	-6.5
Tensas	8,244	**2,669,901**	**2,008,242**	107,771	252,776	160,939	150,180	141,100	146,556	**142,488**	32.2	**-2.8**	-11.3
Terrebonne	102,038	**79,416,441**	**63,653,019**	4,413,074	4,818,853	6,184,306	4,849,043	4,209,223	4,834,005	**4,429,792**	0.4	**-8.4**	-16.9
Union	21,734	**2,934,907**	**2,737,407**	199,584	205,669	277,372	190,525	209,212	221,191	**215,262**	7.9	**-2.7**	-2.1
Vermillion	52,445	**50,248,546**	**44,109,093**	2,979,450	3,907,894	5,397,148	3,721,793	3,883,990	3,960,346	**3,934,140**	32.0	**-0.7**	-7.4
Vernon	61,275	**396,486**	**617,710**	44,978	35,652	53,149	46,373	62,555	47,687	**45,366**	0.9	**-4.9**	5.1
Washington	45,765	**233,683**	**255,728**	23,265	34,487	21,496	22,505	23,913	20,462	**10,572**	-54.6	**-48.3**	4.9
Webster	45,205	**8,145,991**	**6,475,394**	454,709	555,223	656,725	628,678	539,233	636,603	**515,719**	13.4	**-19.0**	-6.4
West Baton Rouge	20,168	**5,423,502**	**3,493,023**	277,792	300,549	578,524	331,669	303,969	309,471	**290,089**	4.4	**-6.3**	-28.2
West Carroll	13,267	**440**	**302**		28					**4**			
West Feliciana	13,269	**48,181**	**78,691**	1,399	2,424	876	5,962	32,543	76,968	**118,378**	8361.6	**53.8**	221.7
Total Severance Tax		**925,571,870**	**806,140,457**	58,479,245	69,960,862	90,219,612	64,608,288	60,735,650	74,942,024	**62,221,785**	6.4	**-17.0**	-6.4

Louisiana Local Sales Tax Collections - Parish School Boards

												Percent Change		
												Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
Categories	**Rate**	**Pop**	**1982**	**1983**	**Jun 83**	**Jan 84**	Feb 84	Mar 84	Apr 84	May 84	**Jun 84**	Same Month Prior Year	**Prior Month**	
Acadia	2.00	59,369	**3,487,633**	**3,032,095**	291,097	326,118	251,411	225,403	258,125	275,013				
Allen	1.00	21,739	**907,276**	**977,971**	72,491	105,816	69,825	72,281	108,433	78,211	**85,036**	17.3	**8.7**	4.3
Ascension	2.00	54,618	**9,171,365**	**8,780,407**	664,913	927,139	702,067	718,007	873,844	795,683	**816,634**	22.8	**2.6**	15.3
Assumption	3.00	23,955	**2,194,108**	**2,554,537**	196,704	195,260	195,475	176,250	177,232	159,322	**169,748**	-13.7	**6.5**	0.4
Avoyelles	1.50	42,715	**2,416,627**	**2,369,982**	200,837	246,082	184,515	179,918	233,245	214,888	**221,709**	10.4	**3.2**	4.5
Beauregard	1.00	31,207	**1,604,703**	**1,883,358**	156,305	220,502	149,139	132,381	169,225	402,939	**165,987**	6.2	**-58.8**	31.8
Bienville	2.00	16,288	**949,710**	**1,139,334**	69,274	85,122	60,766	62,516	76,389	61,386				
Bogalusa(d)	1.00		**1,044,648**	**611,142**	90,659									
Bossier	1.50	88,370	**7,808,210**	**8,099,098**	666,875	933,133	594,881	601,207	789,428	727,802	**783,421**	17.5	**7.6**	11.8
Caddo	1.00	261,817	**20,908,284**	**20,377,832**	1,656,244	2,095,412	1,639,593	1,618,295	1,889,779	1,926,285	**1,897,667**	14.6	**-1.5**	7.5
Calcasieu	1.00	176,760	**16,676,090**	**15,649,795**	1,591,505	1,727,807	1,240,845	1,141,537	1,320,631	1,252,409	**1,394,048**	-12.4	**11.3**	-1.3
Caldwell	1.00	10,947	**393,867**	**458,563**	38,283	49,844	40,429	38,555	44,550					
Catahoula	2.50	12,326	**601,578**	**539,326**	46,357	62,298	47,376	41,724						
Claiborne	1.00	18,367	**945,214**	**998,430**	91,980	101,549	91,563	86,201	100,851	74,342	**75,172**	-18.3	**1.1**	28.3
Concordia	1.00	23,577	**1,174,100**	**1,318,936**	101,671	139,206	132,596	132,425	130,420	127,840	**141,487**	39.2	**10.7**	26.6
Desoto	1.00	26,970	**2,248,558**	**2,316,845**	186,428	245,299	189,474	148,638	206,213	233,361	**155,933**	-16.4	**-33.2**	20.1
E Baton Rouge	1.00	389,503	**31,483,141**	**33,402,316**	2,869,397	2,757,674	3,128,128	2,681,533	3,060,021					
E Carroll	1.00	11,671	**424,202**	**431,488**	36,912	39,554	30,673	31,973	36,849	32,640	**45,416**	23.0	**39.1**	13.2
E Feliciana	3.00	19,937	**1,756,534**	**1,696,485**	123,097	197,319	194,539	125,368	144,112	134,988	**146,623**	19.1	**8.6**	6.8
Evangeline	1.00	34,367	**1,497,032**	**1,409,550**	121,065	158,016	107,987	- 107,713	142,486	123,049	**161,934**	33.8	**31.6**	5.5
Franklin	1.50	24,509	**1,300,003**	**1,398,650**	115,262	271,445	83,021	132,279	107,730	133,618	**160,412**	39.2	**20.1**	7.5
Grant	1.00	17,621	**403,988**	**419,365**	34,298	48,802	36,358	32,581	43,179					
Iberia	1.75	69,257	**7,896,933**	**6,136,540**	489,000	611,049	470,228	698,000	551,579	532,095	**558,168**	14.1	**4.9**	-2.9
Iberville	1.00	32,981	**4,120,443**	**3,659,191**	297,788	512,793	299,142	352,826	463,445	304,002	**297,806**	0.0	**-2.0**	8.6
Jackson	1.00	17,309	**1,550,007**	**2,005,433**	139,240	209,713	143,071	144,702	174,013	161,772	**196,016**	40.8	**21.2**	2.6
Jeff Davis	1.00	33,017	**2,653,582**	**2,285,297**	199,026	203,234	161,580	185,361	237,856	241,711	**238,848**	20.0	**-1.2**	1.2
Jefferson	1.50	476,915	**57,843,301**	**60,202,296**	5,120,704	6,477,949	4,773,181	5,149,437	5,165,348	5,576,608	**5,476,973**	7.0	**-1.8**	7.7
Lafayette	1.00	169,964	**20,473,743**	**17,269,850**	1,426,843	1,927,707	1,449,734	1,481,626	1,677,541	1,557,488	**1,627,118**	14.0	**4.5**	0.1
Lafourche	1.00	88,349	**6,051,343**	**5,812,429**	459,701	630,571	418,871	463,098	461,861	536,968	**555,548**	20.8	**3.5**	5.3
Lasalle	1.00	17,697	**952,044**	**923,437**	86,287	115,152		74,909	74,291	94,990				
Lincoln	1.00	41,847	**2,092,881**	**2,164,791**	184,882	163,914	176,009	205,498	193,831	211,046	**187,065**	1.2	**-11.4**	8.5
Livingston	2.00	66,451	**5,182,668**	**6,099,619**	520,642	712,658	479,762	440,075	529,409	481,551	**558,701**	7.3	**16.0**	19.8
Madison	1.50	15,894	**767,000**	**737,000**	63,000	71,000	54,000	59,000	67,000	66,000	**78,607**	24.8	**19.1**	5.4
Monroe	0.50		**1,676,255**	**1,864,523**	144,433	202,011	147,518	136,043	175,608	163,959	**168,095**	16.4	**2.5**	13.8
Morehouse	1.00	35,183	**1,384,330**	**1,588,401**	123,552	138,753	104,059	112,341	136,037	114,364	**130,030**	5.2	**13.7**	16.3
Natchitoches	1.00	40,805	**1,941,821**	**2,135,267**	182,522	223,427	190,508	153,710	201,491	181,786	**233,584**	28.0	**28.5**	17.1
Orleans	1.50	567,062	**29,214,591**	**50,755,719**	4,668,625	5,200,828	4,087,821	4,773,180	4,521,917	5,234,175	**5,144,820**	10.2	**-1.7**	9.4
Ouachita	0.50	142,300	**2,734,960**	**3,042,118**	235,654	329,596	240,687	221,965	286,518	267,512	**274,162**	16.3	**2.5**	13.8
Plaquemine	1.00	26,778	**4,088,270**	**3,722,819**	265,610	357,796	568,645	361,225	312,953	304,883	**342,316**	28.9	**12.3**	2.6
Pointe Coupee	1.00	25,091	**3,299,338**	**2,014,763**	188,946	108,433	566,617	103,910	121,842	97,362	**759,464**	301.9	**680.0**	-20.2
Red River	1.00	11,114	**445,065**	**409,363**	27,975	45,590	28,578	40,179	38,095	45,648				
Richland	1.50	22,785	**1,448,594**	**1,442,195**	121,992	227,176	113,289	109,605	135,677	124,252	**137,852**	13.0	**10.9**	3.1
Sabine	1.00	27,139	**1,163,268**	**1,245,239**	101,191	125,049	91,586	87,530	120,636	110,549	**114,488**	13.1	**3.6**	8.0
St Bernard	3.00	67,949	**5,777,888**	**7,149,077**	804,993	637,000	521,846	612,000	620,000					
St Charles	2.00	41,103	**11,614,789**	**8,704,765**	824,533	978,447	612,091	641,315	847,771	672,753	**791,385**	-4.0	**17.6**	-13.9
St Helena	1.00	10,186	**295,928**	**340,395**	23,774	35,635	33,568	24,982	37,009	30,006	**36,554**	53.8	**21.8**	25.6
St James	2.00	21,970	**4,349,277**	**7,785,230**	327,525	553,837	590,854	778,005	559,806	629,145	**363,479**	11.0	**-42.2**	49.2
St John	2.00	37,668	**5,581,636**	**5,655,715**	397,384	528,831	480,479	447,789	521,825	463,426	**498,408**	25.4	**7.5**	-1.4
St Landry	1.00	87,800	**5,384,586**	**4,434,974**	351,666	550,003	341,078	346,468	426,803	396,035	**427,522**	21.6	**8.0**	-2.6
St Martin	1.00	44,455	**2,438,676**	**2,208,335**	200,205	221,548	175,886	177,040	206,897	191,773	**184,691**	-7.7	**-3.7**	4.1
St Mary	0.95	66,950	**7,449,564**	**5,672,364**	384,204	567,912	417,658	479,764	465,061	465,061	**529,228**	37.7	**13.8**	-11.1
St Tammany	2.00	128,130	**13,191,017**	**15,457,926**	1,301,052	1,641,849	1,210,749	1,216,688	1,470,564	1,489,548	**1,492,810**	14.7	**0.2**	17.4
Tangipahoa	2.00	87,863	**4,382,490**	**5,328,394**	402,712	1,022,640	684,732	704,788	830,770	828,656	**882,603**	119.2	**6.5**	89.1
Tensas	1.00	8,244	**327,720**	**332,476**	31,444	40,116	29,173	29,176	24,950	34,254				
Terrebonne	0.75	102,038	**8,523,265**	**6,705,498**	581,664	669,821	511,901	546,152	599,974	561,570	**612,303**	5.3	**9.0**	-4.7
Union	1.00	21,734	**772,960**	**804,599**	68,495	83,600	64,252	60,454	73,539	65,847	**68,098**	-0.6	**3.4**	8.1
Vermillion	1.00	52,445	**5,379,878**	**4,103,319**	392,087	276,041	248,669	318,272						
Vernon	1.00	61,275	**1,665,527**	**1,904,793**	148,305	146,629	152,488							
Washington	2.00	45,765	**1,606,628**	**1,594,133**	141,225	174,941	128,534	130,997	128,283	145,340	**151,856**	7.5	**4.5**	8.4
Webster	1.00	45,205	**2,373,074**	**2,368,500**	150,000	246,366	178,577	178,459	230,600	208,832	**150,000**	0.0	**-28.2**	3.0
W B Rouge	2.00	20,168	**1,575,482**	**1,626,305**	119,097	179,090	578,781	112,755	114,092	162,603	**131,488**	10.4	**-19.1**	37.0
W Carroll	1.00	13,267	**523,215**	**508,132**	46,886	79,634	36,757	41,500	49,060	43,950				
W Feliciana	2.00	13,269	**4,525,156**	**3,841,992**	214,852	216,352	209,775	205,723	207,564	1,114,137	**375,160**	74.6	**-66.3**	-22.2
Winn	1.25	17,575	**838,646**	**926,884**	73,521	91,439	75,008	75,932	95,802	77,387	**90,660**	23.3	**17.2**	12.7
Total			**354,954,710**	**372,835,601**	31,454,891	38,469,527	31,018,403	30,969,264	33,070,060	30,742,820	**30,287,133**	-3.7	**-1.5**	4.8

Collections For Indicated Month Based On Sales For Preceding Month

Louisiana Local Sales Tax Collections - Police Juries

												Percent Change		
												Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
Categories	**Rate**	**Pop**	**1982**	**1983**	**Jun 83**	**Jan 84**	Feb 84	Mar 84	Apr 84	May 84	**Jun 84**	Same Month Prior Year	**Prior Month**	
Acadia	1.00	59,369	**0**	**2,305,274**	227,955	313,181	230,649	214,482	258,126	246,204				
Ascension		54,618	**2,996,742**	**2,552,749**	199,269	238,189	213,248	219,294	264,887	226,754	**242,038**	21.5	**6.7**	11.8
Assumption	1.00	23,955	**1,280,502**	**1,427,214**	99,018	96,777	112,339	89,489	91,904	79,541	**84,273**	-14.9	**5.9**	3.0
Caldwell	1.00	10,947	**393,867**	**459,563**	38,283	49,844	40,429	38,555	44,550					
Catahoula	1.50	12,326	**843,628**	**821,362**	68,294	101,269	63,965	68,417	65,251	69,027	**86,749**	27.0	**25.7**	9.9
Concordia	1.00	23,577	**462,426**	**577,298**	46,781	74,857	69,180	56,641	64,272	62,409	**57,524**	23.0	**-7.8**	62.1
Lafayette	1.00	169,694	**4,902,784**	**3,195,720**	244,721	350,973	289,012	343,658	429,229	321,109	**325,179**	32.9	**1.3**	2.6
Lincoln	0.75	41,847	**1,046,441**	**1,623,593**	138,662	122,935	132,007	154,123	144,946	154,665	**140,123**	1.1	**-9.4**	31.2
Madison		15,894	**249,468**	**249,580**	20,168	23,982	18,741	21,331	22,417	21,520	**25,718**	27.5	**19.5**	7.1
Ouachita	1.00	142,300	**2,315,549**	**2,583,554**	200,899	236,629	219,561	201,720	246,833	243,904	**246,145**	22.5	**0.9**	18.9
Pointe Coupee	1.00	25,091	**3,679,288**	**2,213,779**	204,779	123,771	582,805	121,840	97,362	97,362	**759,464**	270.9	**680.0**	-21.9
Rapides	1.00	138,346	**8,192,968**	**8,861,752**	727,182	982,879	630,953	689,533	814,540	816,416	**825,918**	13.6	**1.2**	11.3
Red River	1.00	11,114	**407,362**	**413,602**	24,537	50,043	43,588	34,161	39,572	36,922	**40,340**	64.4	**9.3**	20.9
St Bernard		67,949	**5,822,888**	**7,149,076**	804,993	637,000	521,846	612,000	620,000					
Tensas	1.00	8,244	**362,751**	**302,713**	23,044	27,410	22,088	22,916	25,066	25,863	**24,400**	5.9	**-5.7**	-17.0
Vermillion	1.00	52,445	**5,391,480**	**4,103,253**	392,079	276,041	248,669	318,272						
Total			**38,348,144**	**38,840,082**	3,460,664	3,705,780	3,439,080	3,206,432	3,228,955	2,401,696	**2,857,871**	-17.4	**19.0**	5.3

Collections For Indicated Month Based On Sales For Preceding Month

Louisiana Local Sales Tax Collections - Cities & Towns

												Percent Change		
												Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
Categories	**Rate**	**Pop**	**1982**	**1983**	**Jun 83**	**Jan 84**	Feb 84	Mar 84	Apr 84	May 84	**Jun 84**	Same Month Prior Year	**Prior Month**	
Abbeville	1.00	12,478	**1,079,918**	**1,008,261**	80,518	108,626	80,909	83,625	84,611	83,228	**90,335**	**12.2**	**8.5**	**-1.4**
Abita Springs	2.00	1,131	**22,576**	**31,734**	2,040	3,420	2,071	2,722	3,709	5,112	**5,567**	**172.9**	**8.9**	**62.5**
Albany	1.00	874	**31,334**	**33,178**	2,663	3,274	2,362	2,229	3,165	4,688	**3,378**	**26.8**	**-27.9**	**12.1**
Alexandria	1.00	52,371	**4,611,151**	**5,076,408**	405,500	616,430	361,491	392,309	465,307	443,801	**480,072**	**18.4**	**8.2**	**13.1**
Amite City	2.00	4,448	**727,877**	**814,629**	63,563	90,737	68,185	58,537	73,593	75,035	**73,146**	**15.1**	**-2.5**	**9.5**
Angie	1.00	322												
Arcadia	1.00	3,531	**215,466**	**225,776**	16,796	22,261	17,783	19,228	19,227	17,076	**15,157**	**-9.8**	**-11.2**	**1.8**
Arnaudville	2.00	1,734	**139,026**	**174,464**	14,178	11,998	20,198	14,045	14,195	15,247	**13,667**	**-3.6**	**-10.4**	**-0.2**
Baker	2.00	13,496	**1,226,799**	**1,445,313**	111,660	222,674	105,401	103,954	135,247	142,796	**142,999**	**28.1**	**0.1**	**19.3**
Basile	2.00	2,720	**108,029**	**101,577**	7,416	9,660	7,811	7,425	11,291	7,721	**8,647**	**16.6**	**12.0**	**-1.5**
Bastrop	1.00	15,279	**1,070,427**	**1,363,734**	107,118	117,139	90,118	96,995	109,539	92,350	**107,279**	**0.2**	**16.2**	**19.2**
Benton	1.00	2,062				7,762	5,054	7,489	6,653	5,098				
Bernice	1.00	2,082	**74,469**	**82,907**	6,073	9,182	6,347	6,310	7,710	6,191	**6,708**	**10.5**	**8.4**	**3.4**
Bogalusa	3.00	16,941	**2,374,118**	**2,835,620**	245,014	325,314	226,819	249,989	254,248	239,360	**255,618**	**4.3**	**6.8**	**6.9**
Bonita	1.00	507	**15,535**	**13,427**	1,461	814	833	1,081	1,098	1,299	**1,070**	**-26.8**	**-17.6**	**-25.7**
Bossier City	1.50	53,032	**4,528,941**	**6,174,986**	524,650	700,067	479,969	463,331	596,784	592,097	**622,275**	**18.6**	**5.1**	**20.0**
Breaux Bridge	1.00	6,412	**460,724**	**472,275**	40,258	45,619	34,750	34,783	43,600	39,309	**44,713**	**11.1**	**13.7**	**1.9**
Broussard	1.00	3,264	**438,941**	**330,131**	41,083	28,114	27,532	29,764	32,341	28,095	**29,453**	**-28.3**	**4.8**	**-10.8**
Bunkie	1.50	5,400	**517,523**	**540,807**	43,085	59,903	37,308	40,455	56,540	47,801	**48,881**	**13.5**	**2.3**	**8.2**
Campti	1.00	1,069												
Cankton	1.00	342	**9,901**	**8,150**	677	693	813	511	775	354	**877**	**29.5**	**147.7**	**-4.5**
Carencro	1.00	4,137	**394,691**	**373,880**	32,590	29,162	25,547	25,602	39,411	36,048	**33,467**	**2.7**	**-7.2**	**-2.6**
Church Point	1.00	4,692	**234,859**	**217,157**	19,084	24,616	16,494	17,111	17,990	17,417				
Colfax	2.00	1,697	**74,130**	**147,517**	12,661	16,530	11,938	12,472	16,894					
Columbia	1.00	689	**73,665**	**101,181**	7,808	10,285	5,545	10,331	4,298	10,502	**12,194**	**56.2**	**16.1**	**11.8**
Cotton Valley	1.00	1,555	**29,477**	**30,868**	5,232	2,008	2,004	2,355	2,264	2,250	**3,500**	**-33.1**	**55.6**	**-4.3**
Cottonport	1.00	2,119	**80,288**	**82,607**	6,371	9,262	6,070	6,207	8,133	6,897	**8,258**	**29.6**	**19.7**	**11.2**
Coushatta	1.00	2,187	**226,775**	**211,851**	16,637	25,028	16,391	16,222	19,739	16,533	**19,201**	**15.4**	**16.1**	**6.8**
Covington	2.00	8,280	**1,016,750**	**1,841,454**	133,923	140,339	139,699	155,635	174,637	168,029				
Crowley	2.00	16,242	**1,913,815**	**2,015,460**	162,214	223,363	144,058	146,063	169,096	167,303				
Cullen	1.00	1,862	**38,953**	**39,213**	2,810	3,961	3,048	2,887	4,196	3,503	**2,914**	**3.7**	**-16.8**	**8.1**
Delcambre	1.00	2,226	**110,748**	**91,509**	7,837	8,696	6,479	5,039	10,087	7,825	**7,935**	**1.3**	**1.4**	**-7.3**
Delhi	0.50	3,321	**100,868**	**119,077**	9,349	8,448	11,576	8,119	8,599	10,017	**9,191**	**-1.7**	**-8.2**	**-4.5**
Delta	1.00	283	**6,227**	**5,867**	267	464	735	234	1,098	308				
Denham Sprgs	1.00	8,963	**1,061,102**	**1,168,402**	93,726	133,295	87,705	95,676	112,901	107,947	**108,752**	**16.0**	**0.7**	**14.8**
Dequincy	2.00	4,101	**246,477**	**239,497**	18,807	46,284	36,165	33,762	42,896	32,047	**41,263**	**119.4**	**28.8**	**49.5**
DeRidder	1.00	11,191	**826,009**	**875,705**	72,364	101,270	68,074	67,534	77,699	81,326	**76,779**	**6.1**	**-5.6**	**14.2**
Dixie Inn	1.00	506	**56,930**	**58,227**	5,820	5,459	4,132	4,067	4,782	4,713	**4,991**	**-14.2**	**5.9**	**0.1**
Donaldsonville	2.00	8,070	**461,681**	**659,418**	55,257	95,752	52,750	65,646	66,969	66,906	**68,693**	**24.3**	**2.7**	**53.3**
Dubach	1.00	1,234	**20,207**	**21,643**	1,884	2,370								
Duson	2.00	1,355	**106,251**	**178,173**	25,396	12,738	10,244	16,831	11,509	14,862	**14,239**	**-43.9**	**-4.2**	**28.4**
Elizabeth	1.00	458	**6,395**	**14,282**	1,230	1,464	1,356	1,209	1,318	1,130				
Elton	1.00	1,441	**48,926**	**37,996**	3,391	4,524	2,932	3,133	3,780					
Erath	1.00	2,345	**135,031**	**125,231**	11,165	11,647	9,405	8,993	10,491	10,336	**11,153**	**-0.1**	**7.9**	**-4.1**
Estherwood	2.00	728	**11,288**	**12,903**	998	804	706	860	1,417	1,229				
Eunice	2.00	12,624	**1,963,046**	**1,838,133**	147,489	188,096	131,353	145,273	165,830	165,357	**161,230**	**9.3**	**-2.5**	**0.8**
E Baton Rouge	2.00	389,503	**60,092,719**	**63,310,820**	5,573,226	6,613,858	5,266,005	5,118,504	5,920,577	5,786,358	**5,923,789**	**6.3**	**2.4**	**10.6**
Farmerville	1.00	3,779	**267,599**	**291,989**	24,627	29,327	26,673	20,928	24,689	24,791	**24,795**	**0.7**	**0.0**	**6.7**
Ferriday	1.00	4,463	**366,149**	**366,154**	28,937	38,642	31,083	29,566	31,683	31,078	**31,063**	**7.3**	**-0.0**	**5.2**
Florien	1.00	969												
Folsom	1.00	350	**40,270**	**36,137**	4,771	5,152	5,016	3,089	5,899	3,762				
Franklinton	1.00	4,196	**391,405**	**433,598**	37,034	60,843	30,309	30,665	37,255	36,991	**38,031**	**2.7**	**2.8**	**12.8**
Gibsland	1.00	1,354				1,858	925	1,602	2,072	1,097	**2,905**		**164.8**	
Gilbert	1.00	804	**13,685**	**18,559**	1,153	1,433	1,545	1,695	1,527	1,905	**1,562**	**35.5**	**-18.0**	**21.6**
Glenmora	1.00	1,490	**44,118**	**46,616**	3,753	4,120	2,839	3,185	4,022	3,862	**3,780**	**0.7**	**-2.1**	**1.8**

Collections For Indicated Month Based On Sales For Preceding Month

Louisiana Local Sales Tax Collections - Cities & Towns

Categories	Rate	Pop	1982	1983	Jun 83	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	Apr 84	May 84	Jun 84	Percent Change		
												Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
												Same Month Prior Year	Prior Month	
G Meadow	1.00	2,320	140,180	122,433	9,745	7,917	3,962	9,924	9,214	9,107	11,820	21.3	29.8	-17.0
Gonzales	1.00	7,517	1,114,383	1,193,461	97,255	133,691	87,960	99,307	121,320	111,480	121,433	24.9	8.9	14.3
Grambling	1.00	4,226		45,022	4,320	6,825	4,823	5,162	4,714					
Gramercy	1.00	3,477	188,322	191,186	15,609	20,342	12,118	13,805	15,384	16,652	18,513	18.6	11.2	-1.6
Grand Coteau	1.00	1,160	29,407	31,224	1,999	2,734	2,033	2,809	3,400	3,847	3,742	87.2	-2.7	23.9
Greensburg	1.00	683	44,138	47,189	3,277	6,177	3,364	4,425	3,474	3,455				
Gueydan	1.00	1,702	5,835	90,713	7,710	8,200	6,611	7,166	8,713	8,555				
Hall Summit	1.00	284	4,810	6,944	193	344	326	391	315	349	382	97.9	9.5	-7.6
Hammond	2.00	15,792	2,413,593	4,201,935	423,451	521,850	304,102	320,282	383,404	440,972	440,672	4.1	-0.1	26.7
Haughton	1.00	1,670	34,481	37,799	2,380	2,813	3,010	4,142	3,253	3,778	5,034	111.5	33.2	23.4
Haynesville	1.00	3,569	202,986	172,479	14,901	16,717	16,505	12,778	14,669	14,294	15,929	6.9	11.4	-2.2
Henderson	1.00	1,750	66,902	64,701	4,686	5,529	7,909	3,953	4,216	4,069	7,089	51.3	74.2	-7.1
Homer	1.00	4,478	328,256	286,627	26,690	38,280	21,559	23,045	26,010	25,767	24,641	-7.7	-4.4	9.3
Iberville	1.00	32,981	4,122,393	3,658,666	297,789	512,836	299,100	352,710	463,428	304,008	297,828	0.0	-2.0	8.6
Independence	2.50	1,747	119,951	144,630	12,673	16,582	11,206	9,255	14,565	13,507	16,490	30.1	22.1	11.8
Iota	1.00	1,334	58,279	47,536	4,240	4,449	4,911	3,594	4,496	4,070				
Iowa	1.00	2,586	99,853	110,343	8,102	9,266	8,497	9,482	12,257	9,675	8,617	6.4	-10.9	1.6
Jeanerette	1.25	6,964	374,155	348,126	27,429	36,425	26,150	32,100	27,900	29,280	28,485	3.8	-2.7	-1.8
Jefferson	1.50	476,915	57,352,206	59,756,242	5,085,215	6,450,840	4,734,759	5,111,081	5,124,435	5,533,526	5,425,100	6.7	-2.0	7.8
Jennings	1.00	12,511	1,155,993	1,005,584	91,964	98,930	78,121	74,238	91,164	90,778	78,430	-14.7	-13.6	-6.3
Jonesboro	2.00	5,096	653,776	681,523	59,516	78,802	50,606	57,237	61,136	57,528	59,821	0.5	4.0	6.0
Kaplan	1.00	5,109	300,563	295,983	23,276	33,610	20,723	21,929	26,767					
Kentwood	1.00	2,748	154,690	193,845	14,737	22,010	14,099	14,430	18,755	16,301	16,919	14.8	3.8	5.0
Kinder	1.00	2,583	72,034	188,701	16,911	18,560	13,452	16,266	16,418	15,449	16,812	-0.6	8.8	0.0
Krotz Springs	1.00	1,472	54,663	52,789	3,773	30,983	5,342	3,562	3,367	7,286				
Lafayette	1.00	90,147	14,263,840	12,901,705	1,065,440	1,474,194	1,071,099	1,044,120	1,135,538	1,130,886	1,198,323	12.5	6.0	-0.3
Lafourche	0.50	88,349	2,176,690	2,085,909	162,697	218,320	148,930	170,391	161,942	192,133	211,447	30.0	10.1	8.1
Lake Arthur	2.00	3,634	166,618	271,409	22,027	24,614	21,238	19,689	26,615	21,903	24,128	9.5	10.2	17.1
Lake Charles	1.00	75,955	7,119,302	7,278,335	616,315	793,163	525,462	523,223	607,467	604,148	677,641	10.0	12.2	5.4
L Providence	1.00	6,361	174,803	226,928	16,800	22,047	13,911	16,690	18,044	17,372	18,723	11.4	7.8	6.0
Leesville	1.00	9,107	761,176	1,086,472	79,021	104,814	132,690	87,058	79,998	79,998	81,196	2.8	1.5	37.6
Livingston	1.00	66,451	53,514	65,955	5,319	6,909	5,148	4,482	6,412	4,537	5,215	-2.0	14.9	7.0
Lockport	1.00	2,510	138,405	156,748	11,307	16,813	11,328	9,833	13,160	11,299	11,863	4.9	5.0	9.5
Logansport	1.00	1,689	112,860	107,316	8,114	6,707	6,990	9,865	8,346	7,980	7,925	-2.3	-0.7	-9.0
Loreauville	1.00	967	48,547	39,773	3,225	4,150	3,427	3,571	3,961	3,620	3,837	19.0	6.0	-6.4
Lutcher	1.00	5,034	122,692	120,847	9,097	10,112	10,533	10,275	11,246	10,762	10,136	11.4	-5.8	6.8
Madisonville	1.00	797	0	40,168	3,732	6,302	4,379	2,314	3,337	4,649	6,354	70.3	36.7	
Mamou	1.00	3,219	137,084	139,394	13,742	22,928	27,893	10,847	15,968	14,099	15,127	10.1	7.3	26.8
Mandeville	1.00	6,806	482,016	730,924	67,758	102,360	63,848	63,682	69,829	77,907	78,546	15.9	0.8	51.2
Mangham	1.00	893	29,879	29,945	2,617	3,520	2,209	3,263	2,532	2,459	2,824	7.9	14.8	9.1
Mansfield	1.00	6,514	537,877	520,997	41,963	61,291	41,246	35,028	50,250	50,898	40,790	-2.8	-19.9	3.4
Many	1.00	4,087	417,268	439,539	36,059	51,401	32,754	34,824	43,473	40,495	40,415	12.1	-0.2	10.2
Marksville	1.50	5,406	545,935	551,372	46,377	56,839	41,635	43,992	46,700	46,488	49,801	7.4	7.1	2.9
Maurice	1.00	536	34,142	36,392	2,618	3,275	3,302	3,033	3,276	3,052	3,160	20.7	3.5	8.1
Melville	1.00	1,767	42,070	49,469	4,114	3,947	3,907	3,598	4,719	3,831	4,170	1.4	8.8	15.2
Mer Rouge	1.00	795	61,176	57,256	5,283	3,326	4,024	4,139	5,295	5,872	6,626	25.4	12.8	11.2
Mermentau	1.00	773	10,367	30,598	734	1,183	849	680	1,180	930				
Merryville	1.00	1,320	10,276	35,486	2,820	3,352	2,474	2,618	2,172	2,796	1,968	-30.2	-29.6	0.0
Minden	1.00	14,974	1,000,004	1,042,468	90,499	116,299	76,269	98,452	90,756	95,267	97,162	7.4	2.0	10.9
Monroe	2.50	58,520	6,818,656	11,737,497	975,409	1,487,852	975,969	906,123	1,193,676	1,084,167	1,123,791	15.2	3.7	56.9
Moreauville	1.00	1,002	32,836	32,657	3,171	2,156	3,061	2,691	3,232	3,715	2,577	-18.7	-30.6	0.3
Morgan City	0.30	16,205	695,592	570,729	40,547	50,325	43,376	44,440	44,239	44,239	42,362	4.5	-4.2	-18.2
Morse	1.00	858	23,774	19,703	1,595	1,645	1,876	1,398	1,711	1,827	1,824	14.4	-0.2	-3.6
Napoleonville	1.00	835	64,428	68,400	4,876	9,017	4,725	4,210	6,900	5,681	4,779	-2.0	-15.9	5.1
Natchitoches	2.00	17,200	2,413,001	2,577,179	214,066	269,679	202,957	208,906	247,326	218,779	224,674	5.0	2.7	12.3
New Iberia	1.75	33,500	4,822,597	4,032,129	349,301	487,894	295,548	297,783	375,221	342,968	351,783	0.7	2.6	-3.8
New Llano	1.00	2,352	52,448	60,405	5,359	6,440	3,432	10,872	7,780	6,115	6,234	16.3	1.9	24.1
New Orleans	3.50	567,062	100,521,751	119,506,769	11,010,045	11,834,064	9,351,490	11,167,949	10,112,720	11,709,501	12,087,080	9.8	3.2	7.4
New Roads	1.00	5,152	292,460	345,446	19,082	45,635	38,071	38,604	38,931	38,627	36,702	92.3	-5.0	71.3
Oak Grove	1.00	2,215	239,793	244,243	21,807	27,793	17,459	18,683	23,193	20,852	20,344	-6.7	-2.4	4.4
Oakdale	1.00	7,316	342,333	340,258	28,388	40,427	25,363	25,162	29,028	28,204	28,591	0.7	1.4	4.4
Oberlin	1.00	1,776	60,965	67,251	5,876	5,496	6,163	3,969	7,955	5,615	4,401	-25.1	-21.6	6.4
Oil City	1.00	1,510	102,852	98,734	7,942	11,595	8,058	9,848	11,642	11,660	11,803	48.6	1.2	24.6
Opelousas	2.00	19,308	2,952,306	2,916,910	236,859	336,939	214,342	221,528	251,326	250,714	248,212	4.8	-1.0	4.0
Pearl River	1.00	1,819	70,254	69,583	5,844	7,103	6,123	5,292	4,352	5,669				

Collections For Indicated Month Based On Sales For Preceding Month

Louisiana Local Sales Tax Collections - Cities & Towns

Categories	Rate	Pop	1982	1983	Jun 83	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	Apr 84	May 84	Jun 84	Percent Change		
												Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
												Same Month Prior Year	Prior Month	
Pine Prairie	2.00	775	**33,624**	**39,184**	2,799	3,102	3,673	3,311	3,348	4,453	**4,349**	55.4	**-2.3**	47.2
Pineville	1.00	12,382	**722,684**	**774,482**	62,057	74,162	60,088	64,522	67,624	73,506	**69,960**	12.7	**-4.8**	12.1
Plain Dealing	1.00	1,215	**68,044**	**81,171**	7,094	8,303	6,842	5,950	7,642	6,583	**7,671**	8.1	**16.5**	10.4
Plaquemine	1.00	26,778	**4,366,988**	**3,722,819**	265,610	357,796	568,645	361,225	312,953	304,883	**342,316**	28.9	**12.3**	2.6
Plaucheville	1.00	196	**12,027**	**9,977**	840	829	748	688	692	736	**840**	0.0	**14.1**	-16.4
Pleasant Hill	1.00	860	**17,876**	**14,283**	1,358	1,654	1,383	993	1,386	1,385				
Pollock	1.00	459	**11,015**	**14,474**	1,563	1,447	989	1,058	1,334					
Ponchatoula	2.00	5,559	**499,239**	**766,559**	69,010	93,107	58,995	59,863	63,335	66,026	**67,853**	-1.7	**2.8**	14.7
Port Allen	1.00	6,183	**333,254**	**335,693**	27,575	23,263	30,381	23,655	24,271	28,274	**25,788**	-6.5	**-8.8**	-3.4
Port Barre	1.00	2,849	**109,974**	**88,229**	6,992	7,153	5,876	5,369	7,797	7,717	**10,423**	49.1	**35.1**	-3.3
Rayne	2.00	9,136	**872,013**	**806,501**	64,275	98,867	54,659	56,747	76,996	59,958	**63,382**	-1.4	**5.7**	-2.9
Rayville	1.50	4,790	**469,528**	**499,609**	39,468	57,470	36,266	35,168	44,708	42,877	**46,332**	17.4	**8.1**	4.0
Richmond	1.00	513	**20,654**	**21,322**	1,721	1,642	777	1,579	1,999	2,084	**3,681**	113.9	**76.6**	12.0
Ringold	1.00	1,728	**69,232**	**64,197**	8,706									
Roseland	2.00	1,327	**39,251**	**59,365**	4,911	5,156	5,721	5,588	5,421	5,797	**5,873**	19.6	**1.3**	18.0
Rosepine	1.00	1,001	**16,930**	**19,199**	1,458	1,898	1,661	1,459	1,376	4,641	**3,944**	170.5	**-15.0**	23.5
Ruston	0.50	21,747	**780,298**	**843,297**	73,168	62,304	66,766	77,720	73,182	76,482	**72,340**	-1.1	**-5.4**	8.1
Sarepta	1.00	846	**16,258**	**17,059**	1,694	1,738	857	918	788	1,006	**1,194**	-29.5	**18.7**	-1.2
Scott	2.00	3,731	**293,422**	**292,385**	24,486	31,023	25,405	26,049	28,343	48,278	**52,784**	115.6	**9.3**	27.6
Shreveport	2.00	207,579	**26,088,616**	**26,216,545**	2,145,005	2,757,201	2,592,739	2,643,716	3,164,897	3,054,780	**3,187,820**	48.6	**4.4**	19.9
Sibley	1.00	1,227	**10,770**	**9,971**	1,114	1,096	1,169	696	1,027	755	**1,131**	1.5	**49.8**	
Simmesport	1.00	2,313	**20,647**	**87,813**	6,390	8,491	6,686	6,656	8,147	7,486	**8,877**	38.9	**18.6**	0.0
Slidell	1.00	27,246	**2,404,696**	**2,518,014**	210,897	309,042	218,119	207,573	243,075	245,914	**244,672**	16.0	**-0.5**	11.1
Sorrento		1,369	**25,941**	**28,428**	2,747	2,333	2,437	2,356	2,203	3,097	**2,847**	3.6	**-8.1**	12.2
Springfield	1.00	459	**21,258**	**26,665**	2,001	2,022	2,272	1,807	2,592	2,440	**2,837**	41.8	**16.3**	12.4
Springhill	1.00	6,536	**493,754**	**511,062**	40,725	58,666	37,121	39,006	47,419	41,175	**46,497**	14.2	**12.9**	7.5
St Charles CC	1.00	41,103	**3,441,316**	**3,252,145**	255,432	482,024	303,775	314,552	420,577	329,939	**393,092**	53.9	**19.1**	31.3
St Francisville	1.00	1,553	**176,806**	**217,609**	15,717	25,044	14,991	17,150	20,021	18,286				
St James		21,970	**1,847,386**	**3,573,199**	139,057	246,135	271,204	364,914	252,918	280,300	**153,091**	10.1	**-45.4**	55.3
St Martinville	1.00	8,331	**407,486**	**381,453**	31,189	37,665	31,304	28,807	35,426	32,025	**31,216**	0.1	**-2.5**	-4.0
St Mary	1.75	66,950	**13,779,469**	**10,448,389**	707,314	1,046,664	769,773	883,718	856,876	856,876				
St Mary	0.30	66,950		**146,385**		46,683	29,135	36,296	34,859	34,859	**33,781**		**-3.1**	
St Mary	0.30	66,950	**0**	**91,251**		39,881	26,419	32,253	32,383	32,383	**33,635**		**3.9**	
Sterlington	1.50	1,437	**0**	**4,161**		4,168	5,018	4,127	5,102	4,905				
Sulphur	2.00	20,470	**2,792,089**	**2,770,534**	231,489	284,257	212,408	208,116	237,367	243,336	**244,682**	5.7	**0.6**	1.1
Sun	1.00	404	**5,200**	**10,946**	446	455	441	734	528	487	**2,623**	488.1	**438.6**	52.7
Sunset	1.00	2,476	**101,763**	**96,337**	7,070	9,192	6,706	6,354	9,258	7,685	**7,091**	0.3	**-7.7**	-6.6
Tallulah	1.00	11,381	**295,620**	**296,284**	24,944	31,559	21,535	21,091	25,361	26,203				
Tangipahoa	1.00	87,863	**17,356**	**17,386**	1,333	1,322	1,288	1,191	2,139	1,482	**1,727**	29.6	**16.5**	-8.7
Terrebonne	1.25	102,038	**14,205,443**	**11,176,505**	969,439	1,116,369	853,168	910,253	999,957	935,949	**1,020,505**	5.3	**9.0**	-4.7
Thibodaux	2.00	16,219	**2,655,441**	**2,652,765**	216,865	272,065	181,197	196,582	228,406	222,313	**217,615**	0.3	**-2.1**	0.7
Tickfaw	1.00	611	**23,904**	**0**		661	279	846						
Vidalia	1.00	6,062	**362,305**	**375,897**	27,311	41,140	29,711	28,535	34,381	30,717	**28,638**	4.9	**-6.8**	-2.1
Parks	2.00	na	**53,505**	**60,937**	4,363	3,682	4,195	3,682	3,794	6,542	**3,456**	-20.8	**-47.2**	-1.7
Ville Platte	2.00	9,260	**530,420**	**537,110**	41,128	65,174	37,629	42,127	76,184	84,927	**89,427**	117.4	**5.3**	25.9
Vinton	2.00	3,742	**241,200**	**249,321**	21,078	24,061	21,561	19,014	23,731	25,050	**24,973**	18.5	**-0.3**	9.3
Vivian	1.00	4,315	**293,515**	**316,868**	27,954	31,642	19,986	25,149	28,602	26,780	**32,024**	14.6	**19.6**	10.2
Walker	1.00	3,306	**102,902**	**163,759**	10,202	29,762	11,831	9,058	33,789	11,887	**8,441**	-17.3	**-29.0**	41.0
Washington	1.00	1,319	**48,642**	**47,617**	3,550	3,965	3,668	5,367	3,463	2,789	**3,766**	6.1	**35.0**	-1.8
Welsh	1.00	3,582	**201,291**	**174,659**	15,687	15,309	13,233	15,372	18,384	13,504	**19,314**	23.1	**43.0**	2.4
W Ascensn(c)	0.50	54,618	**355,415**	**342,371**	25,264	34,947	25,124	27,472	38,411	32,430	**35,223**	39.4	**8.6**	11.5
W B Rouge	1.00	20,168	**1,625,430**	**1,585,171**	119,095	179,224	578,767	112,752	114,092	162,603	**121,488**	2.0	**-25.3**	29.7
W Monre	1.50	15,107	**2,371,683**	**2,819,041**	224,416	315,712	219,959	202,059	265,242	248,197	**257,643**	14.8	**3.8**	16.6
Westlake	2.00	5,525	**603,994**	**611,502**	48,301	60,007	49,990	43,965	57,594	49,979	**47,554**	-1.5	**-4.9**	1.1
Winnsboro	1.00	6,033	**558,502**	**560,795**	46,962	65,970	37,494	39,736	51,988	47,248	**50,632**	7.8	**7.2**	6.2
Wisner	1.00	1,430	**65,661**	**68,956**	6,321	7,456	5,384	5,640	6,159	5,922	**6,225**	-1.5	**5.1**	11.9
Youngsville	2.00	1,050	**121,282**	**146,225**	10,199	12,637	9,707	9,615	12,196	10,603	**13,080**	28.2	**23.4**	8.4
Zachary	2.00	7,746	**998,209**	**1,095,375**	94,461	147,892	75,822	87,413	91,846	105,696	**105,446**	11.6	**-0.2**	7.8
Hodge	0.00	703												
Mooringsport	0.00	911					1,272	554	1,200	1,521	**1,823**		**19.9**	
Total			**391,298,953**	**421,612,736**	36,147,501	44,723,912	34,592,338	36,399,087	38,371,202	39,586,669	**39,209,617**	8.5	**-1.0**	9.5

Collections For Indicated Month Based On Sales For Preceding Month

Economic Indicators: NEW ORLEANS METROPOLITAN AREA

Categories	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	Apr 84	May 84	Jun 84	Per Cent Change		
							Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12-Months
							Same Month Prior Year	Prior Month	
EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS									
Total Civilian Labor Force (000)	530.2	530.3	530.0	533.3	537.0	**545.4**	**1.2**	**1.6**	**1.7**
Total Employed (000)	482.4	484.1	487.5	491.4	493.6	**498.3**	**3.7**	**1.0**	**3.1**
Total Unemployed (000)	47.8	46.2	42.5	41.9	43.4	**47.1**	**-19.6**	**8.5**	**-10.0**
Unemployment Rate	9.0	8.7	8.0	7.9	8.1	**8.6**	**-21.1**	**6.2**	**-11.5**
Average Weekly Manufacturing Earnings	$ 387.60	395.60	397.17	396.68	403.12	**392.70**	**13.3**	**-2.6**	**5.5**
Average Weekly Manufacturing Hours	40.0	40.7	41.2	41.8	42.3	**42.0**	**8.2**	**-0.7**	**3.4**
Regular State Unemployment Benefits									
Number						**54,058**			
Benefits Paid						**$ 8,205,180**			
UCFE Program									
Number						**369**			
Benefits Paid						**$ 42,000**			
UCX Program									
Number						**286**			
Benefits Paid						**$ 42,840**			
CONSTRUCTION									
Highway Construction Contracts ($ Mil)		- $ 295.30	309.29	268.66	271.13	**261.96**		**-3.4**	
Value Of Construction Contracts ($ Mil)									
Residential	$ 44.4	42.3	53.3	62.1	60.2				
Nonresidential	$ 58.9	34.0	58.2	39.7	66.9				
Number Of Construction Contracts	870	939	1,033	1,687	1,118				
WELFARE ACTIVITY									
Aid To Dependent Children									
Amount Paid	$ 4,244,068	4,253,399	4,270,376	4,282,307	4,511,970	**4,503,879**		**-0.2**	
Persons	71,615	71,607	71,974	72,190	76,033	**75,934**		**-0.1**	
Food Stamp Information									
Coupon Value	$ 7,086,767	7,154,884	7,250,310	7,212,202	7,129,034	**7,161,098**		**0.4**	
Recipients	148,318	150,254	151,921	151,757	150,838	**151,062**		**0.1**	
Medicaid Information									
Payments	$ 8,038,140	11,505,345	9,415,666	12,676,289	16,415,470	**11,936,414**		**-27.3**	
Claims	40,497	45,092	44,510	53,656	53,971	**45,882**		**-15.0**	
GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY									
Beer Sales Information									
Cases Sold	920,987	1,245,894	1,212,565	1,264,810	1,578,421				
Taxes Collected	$ 101,308	137,047	133,382	139,130	173,626				
Attendance Of Conventions And Meetings	42,923	46,415	64,203	61,853	55,079	**50,170**	3.0	**-8.9**	-5.6
Telephone Lines (000)	777.1	778.3	780.8	782.2	783.9	**786.4**		**0.3**	
Total Mortgage Loans Closed ($ Mil)	$ 149.3	116.5	120.3	149.6	124.7	**148.5**	10.9	**19.1**	72.9
PORT ACTIVITY (000 Tons)									
Breakbulk Cargo									
Imports	172.6	264.8	202.4	254.2	174.1	**256.3**	**267.7**	**47.2**	**80.3**
Exports	31.8	70.7	38.6	23.7	59.1	**42.9**	**-51.0**	**21.4**	**-27.3**
Container Cargo									
Imports	87.5	87.7	64.6	93.5	69.7	**81.1**	**-4.1**	**16.4**	**32.9**
Exports	113.4	123.4	80.8	124.3	74.4	**104.6**	**71.2**	**40.6**	**26.4**
Ro-Ro Cargo									
Imports	20.4	27.0	20.0	26.2	17.9	**18.3**	**2.2**	**2.2**	**27.3**
Exports	44.6	42.9	43.4	33.0	37.0	**33.7**	**-14.7**	**-8.9**	**5.2**
Lash & Seabee Cargo									
Imports	20.5	33.9	26.3	13.0	37.8	**16.3**	**-15.1**	**-56.9**	**15.2**
Exports	25.7	10.7	11.2	12.7	5.9	**12.4**	**7.8**	**110.2**	**-31.6**
Grain Exports	927.4	807.4	908.0	996.0	864.8	**688.7**	**717.9**	**-20.4**	**26.6**
Bulk Terminal Cargo									
Imports	100.3	122.[illegible]	141.3	168.1	97.9	**49.4**	**-35.4**	**-49.5**	**31.1**
Exports	43.1	2.6	12.6	6.5	7.1	**62.0**	**71.3**	**773.2**	**-14.1**
Vessel Arrivals	320	279	361	352	395	**318**	**-9.1**	**-19.5**	**-6.3**
Grain Deliveries (Mil Bushels)	32.7	27.9	33.5	33.5	29.7	**23.5**	**389.6**	**-20.9**	**27.0**
Coffee Imports (000 Bags)	272.7	168.4	248.0	366.8	259.6	**147.1**	**-32.6**	**-43.3**	**-14.5**
Sugar Imports (000 Long Tons)	0	112.9	80.6	0	63.6	**0**			
Duty Collected ($ Million)	$ 14	16	14	17	15	**17**	**41.0**	**13.0**	**23.6**
Import Cars Loaded	261	231	383	247	303	**188**	**-19.0**	**-38.0**	**2.3**

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Categories	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	Apr 84	May 84	Jun 84	Per Cent Change: Latest Month: Same Month Prior Year	Per Cent Change: Latest Month: Prior Month	Per Cent Change: Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
AIRPORT ACTIVITY									
Cargo (Tons)	169	175	208	166	196	**192**	9.1	**-2.0**	23.0
Flight Arrivals	4,874	4,815	5,636	5,651	6,028	**5,965**	15.1	**-1.0**	0.9
Passengers (000)									
Enplaned	213.9	209.3	272.3	261.4	303.4	**324.6**	28.7	**7.0**	4.6
Deplaned	220.8	219.0	267.3	262.1	302.0	**316.4**	28.3	**4.8**	5.3
Mail (Tons)									
Enplaned	569.2	608.5	594.5	595.4	606.1	**638.2**	17.5	**5.3**	13.3
Deplaned	615.8	608.5	673.3	618.9	664.8	**597.0**	1.1	**-10.2**	-7.0
Freight (Tons)									
Enplaned	897.1	1,038.7	1,136.9	1,030.8	1,328.7	**1,317.9**	18.6	**-0.8**	16.8
Deplaned	1,483.7	1,594.1	1,568.8	1,459.4	1,778.4	**1,620.0**	10.4	**-8.9**	
Express (Tons)									
Enplaned	12.2	9.9	11.9	13.0	15.2	**12.4**	-4.6	**-18.4**	3.5
Deplaned	27.9	23.7	27.3	32.2	44.1	**24.1**	-15.1	**-45.4**	-7.2
VITAL STATISTICS									
Births	1,683	568							
Deaths	1,020	575							
REVENUE COLLECTIONS									
Retail Sales Tax - State	$ 19,938,629	14,170,909	16,086,317	17,376,073	17,074,782	**18,272,857**	6.4	**7.0**	5.9
Severence Tax	$ 5,180,780	7,517,936	5,004,655	3,663,067	6,363,129	**4,408,315**	23.3	**-30.7**	3.5

New Cars & Trucks Sales - New Orleans Area

	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	Dec 83	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	Apr 84	May 84	**Jun 84**	Percent Change: Latest Month: Same Month Prior Year	Percent Change: Latest Month: **Prior Month**	Percent Change: Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
NEW CAR SALES															
Buick	331	435	295	348	327	314	362	360	275	385	401	**496**	40.9	**23.7**	
Cadillac	145	148	131	117	135	164	130	127	107	138	169	**148**	13.0	**-12.4**	
Chevrolet	405	547	384	429	476	494	444	433	519	429	499	**547**	9.8	**9.6**	
Chrylser	68	70	65	82	58	45	53	54	55	52	91	**79**	17.9	**-13.2**	
Datsun	265	329	277	198	186	317	282	265	222	234	254	**292**	-6.4	**15.0**	
Dodge	168	168	132	120	132	145	151	127	127	131	155	**159**	-17.6	**2.6**	
Ford	589	583	724	608	420	506	454	629	551	608	597	**673**	16.0	**12.7**	
Honda	80	133	114	122	105	164	124	121	111	179	160	**142**	7.6	**-11.3**	
Lincoln	68	91	86	101	117	61	66	48	68	87	71	**81**	1.2	**14.1**	
Mazda	72	101	80	62	69	53	62	76	60	59	92	**65**	-11.0	**-29.3**	
Mercury	144	196	141	139	163	156	145	204	168	168	220	**231**	17.9	**5.0**	
Oldsmobile	638	613	366	483	504	451	459	492	507	479	589	**596**	-3.4	**1.2**	
Plymouth	58	52	43	52	52	47	83	46	62	41	59	**75**	82.9	**27.1**	
Pontiac	163	204	152	205	192	185	284	221	307	262	345	**271**	51.4	**-21.4**	
Renault	45	75	39	54	42	52	37	29	35	32	36	**41**	-49.4	**13.9**	
Toyota	327	338	222	242	261	254	276	275	193	162	180	**300**	-9.9	**66.7**	
Volkswagen	37	33	41	32	29	28	50	31	31	22	44	**34**	-27.7	**-22.7**	
Volvo	37	40	33	36	30	37	31	41	59	40	43	**65**	10.2	**51.2**	
Other	167	214	219	181	171	208	262	162	190	183	255	**239**	0.8	**-6.3**	
Total Car Sales	3,807	4,370	3,544	3,611	3,469	3,681	3,755	3,741	3,647	3,691	4,260	**4,534**	7.7	**6.4**	
NEW TRUCK SALES															
Chevrolet	300	441	296	337	319	395	331	344	358	410	416	**464**	44.1	**11.5**	
Datsun	75	72	58	43	16	62	54	108	89	61	96	**91**	75.0	**-5.2**	
Dodge	143	142	111	104	110	126	126	154	146	147	182	**204**	3.0	**12.1**	
Ford	503	559	499	514	493	482	471	465	533	565	574	**632**	-2.6	**10.1**	
GMC	47	52	48	49	41	34	43	47	43	45	69	**68**	0.0	**-1.4**	
Mazda	18	35	26	14	17	29	29	32	32	19	35	**28**	7.7	**-20.0**	
Toyota	120	142	131	73	67	114	156	216	131	142	185	**231**	63.8	**26.2**	
Other	46	73	63	76	95	100	102	88	107	159	146	**158**	129.0	**8.2**	
Total Truck Sales	1,252	1,516	1,232	1,210	1,158	1,342	1,312	1,454	1,439	1,548	1,701	**1,876**	23.0	**10.3**	

Economic Indicators: BATON ROUGE METROPOLITAN AREA

Categories	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	Apr 84	May 84	**Jun 84**	**Per Cent Change** Latest Month: Same Month Prior Year	**Per Cent Change** Latest Month: **Prior Month**	**Per Cent Change** Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12-Months
EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS									
Total Civilian Labor Force (000)	239.9	242.2	241.2	243.6	244.3	**249.7**	**2.7**	**2.2**	**3.6**
Total Employed (000)	219.7	222.5	223.7	226.1	226.4	**229.1**	**5.7**	**1.2**	**5.2**
Total Unemployed (000)	20.2	19.7	17.5	17.5	17.9	**20.6**	**-21.7**	**15.1**	**-10.8**
Unemployment Rate	8.4	8.1	7.2	7.2	7.3	**8.3**	**-23.1**	**13.7**	**-13.8**
Average Weekly Manufacturing Earnings	$ 498.10	492.46	501.50	506.33	513.11	**516.47**	**4.4**	**0.7**	**4.3**
Average Weekly Manufacturing Hours	42.5	42.6	42.9	43.8	43.3	**44.6**	**3.0**	**3.0**	**3.9**
Regular State Unemployment Benefits									
Number						**22,245**			
Benefits Paid						**$ 3,440,800**			
UCFE Program									
Number						**28**			
Benefits Paid						**$ 3,251**			
UCX Program									
Number						**106**			
Benefits Paid						**$ 15,983**			
CONSTRUCTION									
Highway Construction Contracts ($ Mil)		$ 32.34	33.54	29.17	29.91	**32.74**		**9.5**	
Value Of Construction Contracts ($ Mil)									
Residential	$ 39.0	21.6	50.8	25.8	34.0				
Non-residential	$ 17.9	38.8	32.2	15.9	14.6				
Number Of Construction Contracts	1,230	494	991	544	550				
WELFARE ACTIVITY									
Aid To Dependent Children									
Amount Paid	$ 1,053,296	1,076,980	1,092,354	1,109,447	1,182,375	**1,191,040**		**0.7**	
Persons	18,036	18,384	18,642	18,938	20,047	**20,269**		**1.1**	
Food Stamp Information									
Coupon Value	$ 2,453,571	2,517,518	2,611,453	2,612,980	2,579,183	**2,600,494**		**0.8**	
Recipients	52,482	53,539	55,105	55,334	55,076	**55,473**		**0.7**	
Medicaid Information									
Claims	12,118	14,048	13,486	14,697	16,604	**14,129**		**-14.9**	
Payments	$ 2,902,192	3,738,745	3,400,109	3,881,838	4,772,282	**4,051,573**		**-15.1**	
GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY									
Beer Sales Information									
Cases Sold	341,944	412,833	439,897	471,835	580,884				
Taxes Collected	$ 37,614	45,412	48,388	51,901	63,896				
Airline Cargo (Tons)									
Inbound	88.7	83.1	90.3	90.2	96.7	**106.0**	**26.9**	**9.6**	**11.1**
Outbound	36.6	37.1	37.7	45.2	52.1	**42.0**	**2.4**	**-19.4**	**18.4**
Airline Passenger Boardings (000)	23.5	22.5	27.3	26.3	28.0	**29.0**	**12.0**	**3.6**	**11.0**
Classified Advertisement Lineage (000)	1,240.4	1,270.1	1,449.9	1,506.6	1,499.3	**1,434.4**	**20.9**	**-4.3**	**17.1**
Classified Advertisement Count (000)	99.9	101.9	111.3	110.9	116.2	**115.9**	**11.4**	**-0.3**	**11.2**
Telephone Lines (000)	238.5	239.6	240.5	241.2	240.3	**241.1**		**0.3**	
Total Mortgage Loans Closed ($ Million)	$ 15.1	20.8	26.5	15.9	31.9	**29.4**	**50.0**	**-7.8**	**130.7**
PORT ACTIVITY									
Net Tonnage Summary By Facility									
Cargo Docks	17,780	51,056	47,461	31,143	68,617	**51,088**	**8.6**	**-25.5**	
Barge Terminal	8,230	19,276	11,105	12,195	15,090	**13,763**	**0.7**	**-8.8**	
Molasses Terminal	6,540	21,207	15,290	5,894	21,496				
Petroleum Terminal	103,144	159,634	84,493	159,276	156,817	**40,697**	**-79.7**	**-74.0**	
MS Bulk Facility	3,528	29,043	85,471	20,031	20,730	**22,730**	**-76.4**	**9.6**	
Total	139,222	280,216	244,450	228,539	282,750	**128,278**	**-64.1**	**-54.6**	
VITAL STATISTICS									
Births	749	244							
Deaths	256	60							
REVENUE COLLECTIONS									
Retail Sales Tax - State	$ 8,807,767	5,995,880	6,220,230	7,223,560	7,884,042	**7,161,856**	**9.0**	**-9.2**	**10.1**
Severence Tax	$ 2,411,357	4,647,317	3,597,969	3,962,386	4,161,678	**3,878,709**	**87.5**	**-6.8**	**14.2**

Source: Available on Request

New Cars & Trucks Sales - Baton Rouge Area

													Percent Change		
													Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	Dec 83	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	Apr 84	May 84	**Jun 84**	Same Month Prior Year	**Prior Month**	
NEW CAR SALES															
Buick	83	197	110	135	105	122	130	117	116	104	151	**149**	-3.9	**-1.3**	
Cadillac	44	63	73	53	59	58	82	49	37	76	42	**53**	-25.4	**26.2**	
Chevrolet	212	218	184	205	237	201	254	214	227	213	280	**292**	9.4	**4.3**	
Chrysler	43	58	69	41	52	40	37	41	34	32	45	**73**	32.7	**62.2**	
Datsun	132	168	164	129	124	136	144	133	98	92	99	**172**	-8.0	**73.7**	
Dodge	33	37	36	33	27	28	22	50	22	28	63	**75**	74.4	**19.0**	
Ford	202	237	204	164	202	243	228	184	214	215	197	**348**	31.3	**76.6**	
Honda	36	59	38	95	55	52	75	75	61	93	78	**87**	77.6	**11.5**	
Lincoln	15	32	46	32	11	22	12	21	35	21	25	**37**	8.8	**48.0**	
Mazda	31	24	28	33	17	24	11	17	17	17	23	**36**	28.6	**56.5**	
Mercury	40	65	60	51	49	51	57	83	67	80	63	**150**	163.2	**138.1**	
Oldsmobile	111	282	208	207	166	183	187	203	186	190	183	**252**	-4.5	**37.7**	
Plymouth	28	31	32	17	29	14	14	23	34	25	30	**36**	28.6	**20.0**	
Pontiac	115	184	153	162	168	119	141	148	144	153	141	**206**	11.4	**46.1**	
Renault	1	10	13	13	12	8	13	13	10	2	0	**2**			
Toyota	283	330	287	246	294	265	298	273	192	163	145	**277**	8.2	**91.0**	
Volkswagen	7	15	18	11	8	12	21	13	22	22	21	**19**	-17.4	**-9.5**	
Volvo	23	84	49	41	40	47	48	54	69	64	49	**53**	-1.9	**8.2**	
Other	138	128	110	114	72	80	92	103	79	81	109	**104**	-19.4	**-4.6**	
Total Car Sales	1,577	2,222	1,882	1,782	1,727	1,705	1,866	1,814	1,664	1,671	1,744	**2,421**	12.6	**38.8**	
NEW TRUCK SALES															
Chevrolet	194	204	184	191	202	159	212	174	229	247	190	**279**	15.3	**46.8**	
Datsun	22	62	32	35	25	21	35	117	86	37	66	**110**	214.3	**66.7**	
Dodge	60	119	128	82	88	89	104	102	141	130	137	**169**	18.2	**23.4**	
Ford	261	305	266	210	243	270	277	230	254	300	224	**386**	35.4	**72.3**	
GMC	34	38	22	39	35	27	30	35	26	38	56	**68**	38.8	**21.4**	
Mazda	18	31	18	34	24	35	32	34	20	24	31	**27**	17.4	**-12.9**	
Toyota	202	293	282	283	173	186	341	307	227	201	276	**406**	61.8	**47.1**	
Other	52	56	40	44	44	60	62	47	37	50	71	**90**	87.5	**26.8**	
Total Truck Sales	843	1,108	972	918	834	847	1,093	1,046	1,020	1,027	1,051	**1,535**	42.7	**46.1**	

Economic Indicators: LAFAYETTE METROPOLITAN AREA

Categories	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	Apr 84	May 84	Jun 84	Per Cent Change		
							Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12-Months
							Same Month Prior Year	**Prior Month**	
EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS									
Total Civilian Labor Force (000)	95.3	96.0	96.4	96.3	96.5	**98.5**	**-0.1**	**2.1**	**-0.5**
Total Employed (000)	88.5	89.6	90.6	90.7	90.8	**92.4**	**2.9**	**1.8**	**-0.8**
Total Unemployed (000)	6.8	6.4	5.8	5.6	5.7	**6.1**	**-30.7**	**7.0**	**2.3**
Unemployment Rate	7.1	6.7	6.1	5.8	5.9	**6.1**	**-31.5**	**3.4**	**3.1**
State Unemployment Benefits									
Number						**5,852**			
Benefits Paid						**$ 859,006**			
UCFE Program									
Number						**4**			
Benefits Paid						**$ 820**			
UCX Program									
Number						**26**			
Benefits Paid						**$ 4,233**			
CONSTRUCTION									
Highway Construction Contracts ($ Mil)	$ 14.11	14.11	20.10	19.76	19.76	**15.05**		**-23.8**	
Value Of Construction Contracts ($ Mil)									
Residential	$ 13.9	8.4	10.3	22.6	17.4				
Nonresidential	$ 3.1	13.8	2.5	8.3	13.3				
Number Of Construction Contracts	261	173	134	418	412				
WELFARE ACTIVITY									
Aid To Dependent Children									
Amount Paid	$ 201,609	203,454	208,861	210,893	219,325	**222,798**		**1.6**	
Persons	3,731	3,758	3,870	3,902	4,025	**4,029**		**0.1**	
Food Stamp Information									
Coupon Value	$ 534,450	562,023	578,425	577,999	551,505	**578,270**		**4.9**	
Recipients	11,892	12,391	12,802	12,911	12,524	**12,931**		**3.2**	
Medicaid Information									
Claims	3,962	4,198	4,089	4,467	4,782	**4,325**		**-9.6**	
Payments	$ 973,137	1,118,084	1,162,978	1,407,915	1,527,363	**1,417,226**		**-7.2**	
GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY									
Beer Sales Information									
Cases Sold	133,158	177,919	174,936	187,402	241,014				
Taxes Collected	$ 14,647	19,571	19,243	20,614	26,512				
Airline Cargo (Tons)	14	17	17	24	23	**12**	**-62.5**	**-47.8**	**-26.5**
Airline Passenger Boardings (000)	8.0	8.0	9.0	9.0	10.0	**10.0**	**0.0**	**0.0**	**-9.5**
Telephone Lines (000)	157.4	157.8	158.1	158.2	183.4	**183.8**		**0.2**	
Total Mortgage Loans Closed ($ Mil)	$ 10.0	6.4	5.1	5.8	5.2	**4.4**	**-37.1**	**-15.4**	**79.7**
VITAL STATISTICS									
Births	275	108							
Deaths	89	26							
REVENUE COLLECTIONS									
Retail Sales Tax - State	$ 4,337,235	3,033,640	3,088,381	3,426,147	3,272,722	**3,626,842**	**21.2**	**10.8**	**-0.3**
Severence Tax	$ 443,695	559,342	588,735	510,163	507,170	**548,810**	**52.1**	**8.2**	**11.1**

Source: Available on Request

New Cars & Trucks Sales - Lafayette Area

													Percent Change		
													Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	Dec 83	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	Apr 84	May 84	**Jun 84**	Same Month Prior Year	**Prior Month**	
NEW CAR SALES															
Buick	34	50	58	39	56	38	37	58	56	48	64	**46**	-16.4	**-28.1**	
Cadillac	33	29	36	26	37	22	28	37	19	29	38	**33**	17.9	**-13.2**	
Chevrolet	56	92	71	67	80	77	84	85	104	109	115	**85**	14.9	**-26.1**	
Chrysler	26	19	23	24	16	22	27	27	31	13	20	**30**	-3.2	**50.0**	
Datsun	49	77	66	63	41	56	66	62	42	44	50	**76**	28.8	**52.0**	
Dodge	15	23	16	13	20	11	15	18	18	24	18	**22**	100.0	**22.2**	
Ford	76	72	40	85	80	29	143	73	101	72	132	**93**	24.0	**-29.5**	
Honda	23	20	22	19	19	24	21	36	19	34	39	**33**	83.3	**-15.4**	
Lincoln	15	20	26	14	13	18	7	13	22	20	14	**22**	120.0	**57.1**	
Mazda	22	35	22	31	31	16	16	25	22	18	17	**33**	-8.3	**94.1**	
Mercury	29	22	26	22	19	25	28	30	31	25	34	**33**	6.5	**-2.9**	
Oldsmobile	37	66	56	71	71	56	52	51	59	72	57	**57**	-14.9	**0.0**	
Plymouth	5	8	7	6	30	12	13	25	10	4	12	**13**	116.7	**8.3**	
Pontiac	47	35	43	43	39	42	59	42	63	69	61	**64**	82.9	**4.9**	
Renault	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	**0**			
Toyota	28	25	23	32	24	16	26	26	23	23	27	**31**	6.9	**14.8**	
Volkswagen	10	10	11	4	14	13	13	20	1	25	30	**17**	21.4	**-43.3**	
Volvo	15	15	12	10	11	14	12	9	20	23	18	**15**	7.1	**-16.7**	
Other	46	41	45	28	40	48	33	51	21	62	75	**46**	2.2	**-38.7**	
Total Car Sales	566	659	603	597	641	539	680	688	662	714	821	**749**	17.4	**-8.8**	
NEW TRUCK SALES															
Chevrolet	86	91	91	126	101	93	92	90	115	123	146	**102**	12.1	**-30.1**	
Datsun	23	23	22	19	7	19	16	42	16	27	30	**24**	4.3	**-20.0**	
Dodge	18	24	23	34	33	29	46	50	44	61	51	**59**	59.5	**15.7**	
Ford	52	76	84	90	92	46	135	112	83	86	105	**121**	55.1	**15.2**	
GMC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	**0**			
Mazda	12	17	15	18	16	17	13	29	22	10	32	**47**	161.1	**46.9**	
Toyota	9	8	22	13	7	6	11	15	19	18	23	**20**	53.8	**-13.0**	
Other	3	6	4	1	11	4	10	13	21	19	9	**21**	110.0	**133.3**	
Total Truck Sales	203	245	261	301	267	214	323	351	320	344	396	**394**	45.9	**-0.5**	

New Cars & Trucks Sales - Lake Charles Area

	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	Dec 83	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	Apr 84	May 84	**Jun 84**			
NEW CAR SALES															
Buick	42	41	54	47	37	52	39	74	54	52	40	**77**	57.1	**92.5**	
Cadillac	11	9	15	5	10	16	14	13	8	6	17	**11**	-35.3	**-35.3**	
Chevrolet	70	75	86	78	78	95	84	59	97	109	104	**89**	-6.3	**-14.4**	
Chrysler	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	**3**		**50.0**	
Datsun	46	58	46	50	40	44	58	46	32	41	43	**50**	-13.8	**16.3**	
Dodge	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	**0**			
Ford	61	54	46	63	41	51	49	71	76	74	99	**82**	24.2	**-17.2**	
Honda	13	18	13	17	28	12	27	17	32	22	18	**20**	81.8	**11.1**	
Lincoln	12	11	26	18	12	7	3	7	13	16	16	**19**	1800.0	**18.8**	
Mazda	4	9	9	13	4	5	3	6	6	5	3	**5**	-16.7	**66.7**	
Mercury	28	13	24	28	22	23	16	23	31	22	43	**25**	-3.8	**-41.9**	
Oldsmobile	71	72	89	80	63	65	46	53	64	65	85	**69**	-17.9	**-18.8**	
Plymouth	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	**1**		**-50.0**	
Pontiac	82	61	62	67	68	42	73	70	87	58	71	**95**	90.0	**33.8**	
Renault	2	2	4	3	6	1	11	2	12	6	8	**6**	50.0	**-25.0**	
Toyota	19	31	20	11	23	15	15	14	9	17	17	**11**	-52.2	**-35.3**	
Volkswagen	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	**0**			
Volvo	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	**0**			
Other	11	8	16	7	9	8	14	12	6	11	14	**14**	100.0	**0.0**	
Total Car Sales	472	462	510	487	441	436	452	467	527	504	584	**577**	16.1	**-1.2**	
NEW TRUCK SALES															
Chevrolet	82	95	86	93	90	78	95	94	101	97	90	**88**	-1.1	**-2.2**	
Datsun	27	23	19	22	12	12	15	44	36	17	23	**32**	33.3	**39.1**	
Dodge	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	8	**9**		**12.5**	
Ford	81	91	76	91	74	119	89	83	89	100	121	**86**	1.2	**-28.9**	
GMC	66	61	41	90	71	52	52	49	64	62	86	**87**	58.2	**1.2**	
Mazda	2	6	4	4	3	6	2	5	10	2	4	**6**	50.0	**50.0**	
Toyota	10	14	8	8	5	9	7	11	10	11	11	**14**	27.3	**27.3**	
Other	12	11	18	15	9	16	23	13	10	14	41	**24**	166.7	**-41.5**	
Total Truck Sales	280	301	252	323	264	292	283	299	320	304	384	**346**	24.9	**-9.9**	

Economic Indicators: LAKE CHARLES METROPOLITAN AREA

							Per Cent Change		
							Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12-Months
Categories	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	Apr 84	May 84	**Jun 84**	Same Month Prior Year	**Prior Month**	
EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS									
Total Civilian Labor Force (000)	76.7	76.1	75.9	75.7	75.4	**76.9**	**-3.5**	**2.0**	**-0.6**
Total Employed (000)	65.1	65.2	65.5	65.7	65.3	**66.4**	**-2.6**	**1.7**	**-0.4**
Total Unemployed (000)	11.6	10.9	10.4	10.0	10.1	**10.5**	**-8.7**	**4.0**	**-2.1**
Unemployment Rate	15.2	14.4	13.7	13.2	13.4	**13.7**	**-5.5**	**2.2**	**-1.6**
State Unemployment Benefits									
Number						**12,639**			
Benefits Paid						**$ 2,000,135**			
UCFE Program									
Number						**21**			
Benefits Paid						**$ 3,756**			
UCX Program									
Number						**84**			
Benefits Paid						**$ 13,446**			
CONSTRUCTION									
Highway Construction Contracts ($ Mil)		$ 12.28	10.64	8.76	17.27	**17.08**		**-1.1**	
Value Of Construction Contracts ($ Mil)									
Residential	$ 3.8	2.4	3.7	4.6	2.6				
Nonresidential	$ 5.0	4.9	3.4	11.5	2.0				
Number Of Construction Contracts	44	47	86	94	53				
WELFARE ACTIVITY									
Aid To Dependent Children									
Amount Paid	$ 310,227	312,155	321,955	326,930	349,891	**347,424**		**-0.7**	
Persons	5,625	5,648	5,820	5,896	6,215	**6,202**		**-0.2**	
Food Stamp Information									
Coupon Value	$ 898,696	921,561	992,393	1,018,337	979,806	**1,010,103**		**3.1**	
Recipients	19,402	20,114	21,238	21,765	21,271	**21,706**		**2.0**	
Medicaid Information									
Claims	4,651	5,008	5,257	5,452	6,094	**5,258**		**-13.7**	
Payments	$ 1,600,412	1,763,977	1,670,018	1,974,153	2,252,686	**1,960,565**		**-13.0**	
GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY									
Beer Sales Information									
Cases Sold	121,754	143,561	148,869	170,164	198,352				
Taxes Collected	$ 13,393	15,791	16,376	18,718	21,819				
Airline Cargo (Tons)	6.0	8.0	7.0	5.0	5.0	**7.0**	**0.0**	**40.0**	**15.7**
Airline Passenger Boardings (000)	3.0	3.0	4.0	3.4	3.8	**4.0**	**33.3**	**5.3**	**4.2**
Newspaper Advertising Lineage									
Telephone Lines (000)	117.5	117.7	117.8	118.0	92.8	**92.7**		**-0.1**	
Total Mortgage Loans Closed ($ Mil)									
LAKE CHARLES PORT ACTIVITY									
Port Shipments (000 Tons)									
Imports				151.6	103.6	**137.5**		**32.7**	
Exports				296.3	346.6	**304.2**		**-12.2**	
Private Facilities (000 Tons)									
Imports				654.3	808.6	**639.4**		**-20.9**	
Exports				419.7	519.9	**651.5**		**25.3**	
VITAL STATISTICS									
Births	253	162							
Deaths	125	24							
REVENUE COLLECTIONS									
Retail Sales Tax - State	$ 2,235,490	1,585,443	1,676,471	1,927,083	1,984,993	**2,345,348**	**26.5**	**18.2**	**8.3**
Severence Tax	$ 1,405,460	1,745,268	1,275,271	1,418,482	1,305,288	**1,653,951**	**40.4**	**26.7**	**17.7**

Source: Available on Request

Economic Indicators: SHREVEPORT METROPOLITAN AREA

							Per Cent Change		
							Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12-Months
Categories	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	Apr 84	May 84	Jun 84	Same Month Prior Year	Prior Month	
EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS									
Total Civilian Labor Force (000)	167.8	168.3	169.5	170.5	172.2	**176.1**	**0.8**	**2.3**	**2.1**
Total Employed (000)	151.7	153.4	156.0	157.8	159.9	**162.9**	**5.7**	**1.9**	**4.2**
Total Unemployed (000)	16.1	14.9	13.5	12.7	12.3	**13.2**	**-35.9**	**7.3**	**-16.5**
Unemployment Rate	9.6	8.9	8.0	7.4	7.1	**7.5**	**-36.4**	**5.6**	**-18.1**
Average Weekly Manufacturing Earnings	$ 406.19	415.75	410.31	410.98	402.41	**397.58**	**5.3**	**-1.2**	**12.1**
Average Weekly Manufacturing Hours	42.4	41.7	42.3	42.5	41.4	**41.2**	**2.5**	**-0.5**	**3.1**
Regular State Unemployment Benefits									
Number						**12,567**			
Benefits Paid						**$ 1,628,404**			
UCFE Program									
Number						**67**			
Benefits Paid						**$ 8,084**			
UCX Program									
Number						**155**			
Benefits Paid						**$ 22,547**			
CONSTRUCTION									
Highway Construction Contracts ($ Mil)		$ 94.71	94.83	94.92	94.50	**96.34**		**1.9**	
Value Of Construction Contracts ($ Mil)									
Residential	$ 10.5	30.9	18.7	12.4	19.4				
Nonresidential	$ 24.0	6.1	6.8	6.2	15.7				
Number Of Construction Contracts	331	887	531	248	504				
WELFARE ACTIVITY									
Aid To Dependent Children									
Amount Paid	$ 747,011	760,592	768,722	777,332	811,262	**794,525**		**-2.1**	
Persons	15,859	16,133	16,290	16,463	16,984	**16,657**		**-1.9**	
Food Stamp Information									
Coupon Value	$ 2,229,118	2,257,167	2,309,604	2,295,915	2,209,390	**2,228,025**		**0.8**	
Recipients	49,872	50,846	51,723	51,680	50,405	**50,501**		**0.2**	
Medicaid Information									
Claims	9,503	12,684	12,859	12,643	14,124	**12,271**		**-13.1**	
Payments	$ 3,662,390	4,592,087	4,342,024	4,276,775	4,908,055	**4,461,684**		**-9.1**	
GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY									
Beer Sales Information									
Cases Sold	291,149	336,441	320,275	382,523	457,915				
Taxes Collected	32,026	37,009	35,230	42,077	50,371				
Airline Cargo (Tons)	935	828	982	812	968	**940**	**42.9**	**-2.9**	**25.3**
Airline Passenger Boardings (000)	25.0	24.0	27.0	27.0	30.0	**30.0**	**-16.7**	**0.0**	**-13.3**
Telephone Lines (000)	188.7	189.2	189.8	190.5	191.2	**191.6**		**0.2**	
Total Mortgage Loans Closed ($ Mil)	$ 3.5	1.4	10.1	8.1	4.2	**10.7**	**0.0**	**154.8**	**-7.9**
VITAL STATISTICS									
Births	584	334							
Deaths	246	7							
REVENUE COLLECTIONS									
Retail Sales Tax - State	$ 5,336,106	3,904,949	3,973,289	4,723,394	4,744,621	**6,338,216**	**44.9**	**33.6**	**6.1**
Severence Tax	$ 2,596,476	2,637,660	2,553,540	2,443,250	2,705,025	**1,863,854**	**-29.1**	**-31.1**	**-15.9**

Source: Available on Request

New Cars & Trucks Sales - Shreveport Area

	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	Dec 83	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	Apr 84	May 84	**Jun 84**	**Percent Change**		
													Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
													Same Month Prior Year	**Prior Month**	
NEW CAR SALES															
Buick	93	119	76	105	82	64	105	74	76	112	117	**112**	23.1	**-4.3**	
Cadillac	50	39	58	47	34	53	47	49	43	42	46	**42**	-35.4	**-8.7**	
Chevrolet	125	177	137	162	161	144	191	162	222	174	183	**207**	25.5	**13.1**	
Chrysler	40	54	37	29	25	24	30	31	39	40	43	**50**	11.1	**16.3**	
Datsun	41	56	42	24	41	33	54	40	32	34	30	**44**	-13.7	**46.7**	
Dodge	32	28	39	20	27	24	25	25	22	33	34	**36**	0.0	**5.9**	
Ford	101	147	131	404	220	149	226	203	146	166	137	**231**	89.3	**68.6**	
Honda	16	41	26	16	27	23	37	40	32	48	29	**33**	10.0	**13.8**	
Lincoln	34	47	27	34	35	14	49	76	95	33	52	**39**	18.2	**-25.0**	
Mazda	28	27	28	25	19	21	15	18	24	21	15	**15**	-48.3	**0.0**	
Mercury	59	73	46	103	110	56	91	90	96	82	110	**88**	39.7	**-20.0**	
Oldsmobile	137	193	200	175	155	175	194	237	231	162	244	**225**	11.9	**-7.8**	
Plymouth	18	16	9	15	12	14	14	15	20	21	27	**26**	73.3	**-3.7**	
Pontiac	85	93	86	121	123	77	109	83	108	89	116	**138**	32.7	**19.0**	
Renault	15	23	21	15	9	24	12	29	16	16	20	**23**	130.0	**15.0**	
Toyota	72	64	44	60	42	51	48	37	15	34	43	**35**	-43.5	**-18.6**	
Volkswagen	6	12	6	5	6	15	8	6	10	15	12	**8**	14.3	**-33.3**	
Volvo	12	12	8	5	5	4	5	12	8	3	6	**6**	0.0	**0.0**	
Other	64	61	49	47	38	43	62	43	44	62	57	**50**	-13.8	**-12.3**	
Total Car Sales	1,028	1,282	1,070	1,412	1,171	1,008	1,322	1,270	1,279	1,187	1,321	**1,408**	18.0	**6.6**	
NEW TRUCK SALES															
Chevrolet	148	170	141	163	154	149	160	123	139	180	213	**178**	-27.0	**-16.4**	
Datsun	6	17	13	11	10	13	7	35	14	11	20	**19**	58.3	**-5.0**	
Dodge	44	52	44	44	46	55	49	60	65	71	49	**76**	40.7	**55.1**	
Ford	152	145	113	143	189	149	161	183	210	198	210	**212**	32.5	**1.0**	
GMC	24	24	18	22	25	22	30	29	21	29	26	**29**	3.6	**11.5**	
Mazda	19	13	8	5	9	18	14	24	19	19	14	**19**	26.7	**35.7**	
Toyota	15	17	24	11	16	16	19	21	7	22	28	**31**	210.0	**10.7**	
Other	41	48	52	42	38	43	57	53	94	53	61	**75**	87.5	**23.0**	
Total Truck Sales	449	486	413	441	487	465	497	528	569	583	621	**639**	13.5	**2.9**	

Economic Indicators: ALEXANDRIA METROPOLITAN AREA

Categories	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	Apr 84	May 84	**Jun 84**	**Per Cent Change**		
							Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12-Months
							Same Month Prior Year	**Prior Month**	
EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS									
Total Civilian Labor Force (000)	76.6	77.0	76.8	77.3	77.4	**78.8**	**0.5**	**1.8**	**2.5**
Total Employed (000)	68.4	69.0	69.6	70.3	70.4	**71.5**	**3.9**	**1.6**	**5.0**
Total Unemployed (000)	8.2	8.0	7.2	7.0	7.0	**7.3**	**-24.0**	**4.3**	**-15.2**
Unemployment Rate	10.8	10.4	9.4	9.2	9.1	**9.3**	**-23.8**	**2.2**	**-16.8**
Regular State Unemployment Benefits									
Number						**5,281**			
Benefits Paid						**$ 694,821**			
UCFE Program									
Number						**83**			
Benefits Paid						**$ 7,736**			
UCX Program									
Number						**97**			
Benefits Paid						**$ 13,159**			
CONSTRUCTION									
Highway Construction Contracts ($ Mil)		$ 69.17	69.17	69.73	69.36	**67.57**		**-2.6**	
Value Of Construction Contracts ($ Mil)									
Residential	$ 2.1	3.7	5.0	4.2	5.4				
Nonresidential	$ 2.0	4.3	0.9	1.5	1.6				
Number Of Construction Contracts	40	59	73	70	109				
WELFARE ACTIVITY									
Aid To Dependent Children									
Amount Paid	$ 28,289	28,218	27,638	27,895	31,383	**30,852**		**-1.7**	
Persons	520	515	517	516	569	**563**		**-1.1**	
Food Stamp Information									
Coupon Value	$ 845,208	877,871	898,611	891,936	835,945	**860,574**		**2.9**	
Recipients	19,361	20,101	20,558	20,623	19,946	**20,046**		**0.5**	
Medicaid Information									
Claims	8,101	8,762	8,348	8,668	9,563	**8,658**		**-9.5**	
Payments	$ 5,184,831	5,832,864	5,369,530	5,583,988	6,112,777	**5,786,933**		**-5.3**	
GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY									
Beer Sales Information									
Cases Sold	83,676	103,459	103,258	118,343	142,250				
Taxes Collected	$ 9,205	11,380	11,358	13,018	15,647				
Airline Cargo (Tons)	9	10	5	4	3	**5**	**-86.1**	**66.7**	**-52.3**
Airline Passenger Boardings (000)	3.6	3.3	3.7	3.7	3.8	**4.0**	**-27.3**	**5.3**	**-7.5**
Newspaper Advertising Lineage									
Telephone Lines (000)	98.0	98.5	98.5	98.6	98.8	**99.0**		**0.2**	
VITAL STATISTICS									
Births	233	89							
Deaths	136	31							
REVENUE COLLECTIONS									
Retail Sales Tax - State	$ 1,395,785	1,001,870	1,035,275	1,196,609	1,272,591	**1,288,415**	**12.9**	**1.2**	**7.5**
Severence Tax	$ 144,422	186,577	82,629	261,700	170,830	**191,400**	**6.1**	**12.0**	**-22.0**

Source: Available on Request

New Cars & Trucks Sales - Alexandria Area

	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	Dec 83	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	Apr 84	May 84	Jun 84	Percent Change Latest Month Same Month Prior Year	Percent Change Latest Month Prior Month	Percent Change Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
NEW CAR SALES															
Buick	22	43	38	32	38	25	29	24	39	44	27	**51**	27.5	**88.9**	
Cadillac	13	10	10	7	8	14	8	7	15	7	10	**15**	-6.3	**50.0**	
Chevrolet	38	41	35	49	43	44	72	52	55	71	58	**54**	-23.9	**-6.9**	
Chrysler	12	10	6	5	4	3	3	9	3	6	7	**14**	250.0	**100.0**	
Datsun	17	26	33	23	25	20	22	22	17	15	18	**29**	11.5	**61.1**	
Dodge	7	7	5	5	7	5	11	7	9	9	8	**9**	0.0	**12.5**	
Ford	41	56	39	59	51	50	56	65	54	36	59	**62**	-11.4	**5.1**	
Honda	12	23	14	16	27	15	26	28	26	25	18	**23**	64.3	**27.8**	
Lincoln	8	10	13	7	10	7	8	3	8	5	12	**19**	58.3	**58.3**	
Mazda	15	12	18	17	13	9	12	11	8	11	15	**11**	-31.3	**-26.7**	
Mercury	3	7	13	12	25	11	14	14	28	30	42	**43**	290.9	**2.4**	
Oldsmobile	96	129	74	64	98	57	81	75	93	59	80	**73**	-20.7	**-8.8**	
Plymouth	2	14	9	5	4	12	3	8	5	4	9	**6**	500.0	**-33.3**	
Pontiac	30	35	39	43	34	28	33	36	36	32	34	**52**	18.2	**52.9**	
Renault	2	5	0	2	0	2	1	8	8	6	3	**7**	250.0	**133.3**	
Toyota	15	26	11	18	9	12	13	19	6	15	11	**8**	-63.6	**-27.3**	
Volkswagen	0	0	3	1	5	3	2	2	1	1	4	**5**		**25.0**	
Volvo	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	**0**			
Other	12	27	11	32	12	9	9	21	10	14	20	**13**	-58.1	**-35.0**	
Total Car Sales	345	481	371	397	413	326	403	411	421	390	435	**494**	2.7	**13.6**	
NEW TRUCK SALES															
Chevrolet	57	47	46	66	66	72	48	52	53	70	42	**82**	26.2	**95.2**	
Datsun	13	11	8	12	4	7	10	18	8	13	13	**22**	214.3	**69.2**	
Dodge	18	27	16	17	17	16	34	34	31	30	14	**65**	261.1	**364.3**	
Ford	59	82	75	109	77	114	85	94	87	81	98	**113**	18.9	**15.3**	
GMC	14	15	14	16	19	18	15	8	13	14	24	**12**	-7.7	**-50.0**	
Mazda	8	20	7	16	15	9	8	12	18	2	16	**7**	0.0	**-56.3**	
Toyota	10	14	7	8	6	5	17	11	9	14	15	**8**	-50.0	**-46.7**	
Other	9	13	14	22	17	21	14	14	18	22	29	**32**	52.4	**10.3**	
Total Truck Sales	188	229	187	266	221	262	231	243	237	246	251	**341**	40.9	**35.9**	

New Cars & Trucks Sales - Monroe Area

	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	Dec 83	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	Apr 84	May 84	Jun 84		
NEW CAR SALES														
Buick	60	79	45	62	49	56	50	51	41	61	63	**49**	-35.5	**-22.2**
Cadillac	21	20	13	19	11	25	30	12	15	22	23	**15**	-28.6	**-34.8**
Chevrolet	58	60	47	47	45	43	71	55	50	45	63	**53**	-24.3	**-15.9**
Chrysler	8	12	8	6	7	14	7	4	7	9	24	**21**	50.0	**-12.5**
Datsun	26	30	21	39	14	20	31	15	13	21	19	**19**	-64.8	**0.0**
Dodge	8	3	4	5	7	10	8	14	12	9	16	**16**	128.6	**0.0**
Ford	37	40	37	53	69	46	46	62	66	62	73	**61**	10.9	**-16.4**
Honda	17	19	18	25	24	21	24	27	22	35	29	**30**	15.4	**3.4**
Lincoln	16	19	19	20	12	11	8	9	9	14	16	**23**	76.9	**43.8**
Mazda	17	27	35	23	16	22	16	23	12	22	19	**22**	-26.7	**15.8**
Mercury	26	34	26	24	30	16	25	37	16	26	44	**34**	9.7	**-22.7**
Oldsmobile	62	78	93	87	77	97	72	76	110	95	65	**92**	-12.4	**41.5**
Plymouth	2	2	0	3	4	1	3	2	7	1	10	**5**	25.0	**-50.0**
Pontiac	18	20	20	31	27	21	35	20	27	34	43	**56**	273.3	**30.2**
Renault	8	5	3	4	1	5	0	2	1	3	0	**0**		
Toyota	23	25	21	19	30	15	18	11	18	18	14	**31**	29.2	**121.4**
Volkswagen	1	4	1	0	0	2	5	3	3	3	8	**10**	233.3	**25.0**
Volvo	7	8	5	9	10	8	6	5	10	9	13	**15**	275.0	**15.4**
Other	9	9	7	9	6	13	28	24	13	19	28	**19**	11.8	**-32.1**
Total Car Sales	424	494	423	485	439	446	483	452	452	508	570	**571**	-1.6	**0.2**
NEW TRUCK SALES														
Chevrolet	72	71	52	75	57	59	71	64	54	57	83	**67**	-10.7	**-19.3**
Datsun	10	17	18	13	3	10	7	18	17	15	11	**14**	27.3	**27.3**
Dodge	7	6	3	16	5	16	17	12	16	20	28	**24**	200.0	**-14.3**
Ford	38	49	63	61	97	64	64	58	87	90	96	**104**	25.3	**8.3**
GMC	46	34	25	27	33	54	29	37	36	29	45	**38**	15.2	**-15.6**
Mazda	11	31	23	14	22	13	31	41	12	27	26	**29**	31.8	**11.5**
Toyota	11	14	14	13	12	10	20	8	12	19	10	**21**	50.0	**110.0**
Other	15	29	19	16	43	41	29	21	37	21	19	**36**	2.9	**89.5**
Total Truck Sales	210	251	217	235	272	267	268	259	271	278	318	**333**	18.5	**4.7**

Economic Indicators: MONROE METROPOLITAN AREA

							Per Cent Change		
							Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12-Months
Categories	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	Apr 84	May 84	**Jun 84**	Same Month Prior Year	**Prior Month**	
EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS									
Total Civilian Labor Force (000)	58.5	58.8	57.6	58.4	58.6	**61.1**	**0.3**	**4.3**	-0.6
Total Employed (000)	52.5	53.0	52.5	53.4	53.3	**55.4**	**2.6**	**3.9**	1.7
Total Unemployed (000)	6.0	5.8	5.1	5.0	5.3	**5.7**	**-17.4**	**7.5**	-17.1
Unemployment Rate	10.3	9.9	8.9	8.6	9.1	**9.3**	**-17.7**	**2.2**	-16.4
Regular State Unemployment Benefits									
Number						**8,128**			
Benefits Paid						**$ 1,076,724**			
UCFE Program									
Number						**36**			
Benefits Paid						**$ 4,365**			
UCX Program									
Number						**75**			
Benefits Paid						**$ 9,514**			
CONSTRUCTION									
Highway Construction Contracts ($ Mil)		$ 21.80	21.63	21.63	23.00	**22.66**		**-1.5**	
Value Of Construction Contracts ($ Mil)									
Residential	$ 3.0	3.2	3.5	4.0	2.8				
Nonresidential	$ 1.4	1.0	4.0	0.9	11.9				
Number Of Construction Contracts	68	67	63	65	52				
WELFARE ACTIVITY									
Aid To Dependent Children									
Amount Paid	$ 534,001	540,575	549,695	556,035	576,144	**573,372**		**-0.5**	
Persons	9,883	10,025	10,166	10,302	10,676	**10,588**		**-0.8**	
Food Stamp Information									
Coupon Value	$ 1,285,054	1,309,326	1,341,978	1,333,421	1,292,900	**1,306,762**		**1.1**	
Recipients	28,900	29,899	30,290	30,215	29,831	**29,677**		**-0.5**	
Medicaid Information									
Claims	8,028	9,546	8,897	9,831	10,589	**9,449**		**-10.8**	
Payments	$ 2,043,636	2,507,964	2,458,365	2,517,535	3,059,129	**2,833,721**		**-7.4**	
GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY									
Beer Sales Information									
Cases Sold	107,903	124,223	130,584	140,680	152,016				
Taxes Collected	$ 11,869	13,664	14,364	15,475	16,721				
Airline Cargo (Tons)	19	21	19	13	19	**15**	**-16.7**	**-21.1**	6.2
Airline Passenger Boardings (000)	8.0	7.0	8.0	7.0	8.0	**8.0**	**-11.1**	**0.0**	10.6
Telephone Lines (000)	128.3	128.5	128.7	128.9	128.6	**128.9**		**0.2**	
Total Mortgage Loans Closed ($ Mil)	$ 10.7	32.7	13.8	29.2					
VITAL STATISTICS									
Births	217	37							
Deaths	92	13							
REVENUE COLLECTIONS									
Retail Sales Tax - State	$ 2,606,162	1,709,894	1,745,362	2,961,053	2,040,777	**2,324,020**	**23.3**	**13.9**	10.4
Severence Tax	$ 193,793	254,681	159,974	191,260	172,588	**162,042**	**-5.6**	**-6.1**	-6.9

Sources : Available on Request

Economic Indicators: HOUMA-THIBODAUX METROPOLITAN AREA

Categories	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	Apr 84	May 84	**Jun 84**	Per Cent Change Latest Month Same Month Prior Year	 **Prior Month**	 Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12-Months
EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS									
Regular State Unemployment Benefits									
Number						**7,979**			
Benefits Paid						**$ 1,200,328**			
UCFE Program									
Number						**7**			
Benefits Paid						**$ 1,021**			
UCX Program									
Number						**24**			
Benefits Paid						**$ 3,472**			
CONSTRUCTION									
Highway Construction Contracts ($ Mil)		$ 33.31	33.31	34.48	36.99	**37.59**		**1.6**	
Value Of Construction Contracts ($ Mil)									
Residential	$ 2.5	4.1	6.9	5.9	3.7				
Nonresidential	$ 1.6	2.4	0.1	4.8	3.9				
Number Of Construction Contracts	45	67	163	131	81				
WELFARE ACTIVITY									
Aid To Dependent Children									
Amount Paid	$ 312,807	322,896	333,432	345,025	365,300	**365,549**		**0.1**	
Persons	5,721	5,923	6,112	6,301	6,627	**6,658**		**0.5**	
Food Stamp Information									
Coupon Value	$ 1,027,110	1,067,771	1,125,519	1,142,696	1,108,440	**1,132,380**		**2.2**	
Recipients	22,456	23,398	24,388	24,623	24,255	**24,672**		**1.7**	
Medicaid Information									
Claims	4,123	4,435	4,318	4,686	5,133	**4,708**		**-8.3**	
Payments	$ 1,006,348	1,259,549	1,283,991	1,373,984	945,835	**1,537,358**		**62.5**	
GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY									
Beer Sales Information									
Cases Sold	137,453	179,304	189,767	193,508	231,474				
Taxes Collected	15,120	19,724	20,873	21,286	25,462				
VITAL STATISTICS									
Births	304	125							
Deaths	111	38							
REVENUE COLLECTIONS									
Retail Sales Tax - State	$ 1,706,779	816,372	1,320,903	1,824,474	1,497,703	**1,490,795**	10.8	**-0.5**	-9.0

New Cars & Trucks Sales - Houma Area

	Jul 83	Aug 83	Sep 83	Oct 83	Nov 83	Dec 83	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	Apr 84	May 84	**Jun 84**		
NEW CAR SALES														
Buick	52	53	43	48	40	47	37	41	60	71	60	**69**	23.2	**15.0**
Cadillac	13	7	11	11	15	18	11	15	6	16	13	**8**	-57.9	**-38.5**
Chevrolet	58	58	50	83	38	42	67	59	78	79	82	**71**	1.4	**-13.4**
Chrysler	16	10	18	7	10	17	12	14	11	12	17	**24**	26.3	**41.2**
Datsun	36	30	36	17	23	21	23	24	22	21	15	**24**	-33.3	**60.0**
Dodge	80	13	11	30	15	11	11	16	12	11	21	**53**	60.6	**152.4**
Ford	42	31	47	46	48	49	43	60	56	53	73	**62**	5.1	**-15.1**
Honda	17	10	13	13	14	19	27	21	27	32	38	**34**	78.9	**-10.5**
Lincoln	8	11	11	6	9	7	8	6	7	9	10	**13**	18.2	**30.0**
Mazda	6	7	6	4	3	6	3	0	7	5	7	**4**	33.3	**-42.9**
Mercury	24	18	18	29	24	16	22	26	18	24	27	**24**	-20.0	**-11.1**
Oldsmobile	44	86	54	63	57	79	68	77	81	59	90	**67**	-15.2	**-25.6**
Plymouth	7	12	9	9	5	10	9	6	14	8	10	**14**	40.0	**40.0**
Pontiac	25	29	32	25	37	41	30	30	34	35	33	**40**	-33.3	**21.2**
Renault	1	0	3	3	3	2	3	3	3	3	7	**13**	1200.0	**85.7**
Toyota	22	26	16	22	22	28	26	33	12	16	30	**37**	42.3	**23.3**
Volkswagen	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	**0**		
Volvo	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	**0**		
Other	0	0	0	8	6	14	6	10	9	10	20	**12**		**-40.0**
Total Car Sales	451	401	378	424	369	427	406	441	457	464	553	**569**	7.0	**2.9**
NEW TRUCK SALES														
Chevrolet	76	60	48	59	50	57	68	61	61	55	118	**72**	63.6	**-39.0**
Datsun	18	16	22	15	10	11	10	19	21	12	12	**12**	-29.4	**0.0**
Dodge	43	46	47	36	35	44	41	69	59	71	50	**64**	10.3	**28.0**
Ford	59	57	73	63	65	55	65	68	64	70	74	**93**	31.0	**25.7**
GMC	34	27	21	21	25	35	35	22	26	33	40	**28**	-20.0	**-30.0**
Mazda	2	2	0	6	4	2	3	4	3	5	2	**7**	133.3	**250.0**
Toyota	5	9	6	3	7	11	12	18	13	11	16	**27**	350.0	**68.8**
Other	10	9	12	13	4	10	16	15	13	12	19	**29**	262.5	**52.6**
Total Truck Sales	247	226	229	216	200	225	250	276	260	269	331	**332**	37.2	**0.3**

General Remarks

The Louisiana Economic Indicators June, 1984 issue has been expanded to 32 pages. This includes the comparison of the Individual Income Tax collections for 1982 and 1983 by parish and aggregated to the Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA). It should be noted that the Per Capita Personal Income figures are for 1982, the latest year available from the Bureau of Economic Analysis. The population differences were felt to be inconsequential when compared to the estimates from Louisiana Tech for July 1, 1983, which were used to compute the Per Capita values for the balance of the tables. Although the parishes show differences from 1982 to 1983, the MSA's, which are for the most part an aggregation of designated parishes, show a greater degree of stability, with Lafayette being the exception exhibiting a downward trend. With the inception of this series, it is the intention of Division of Research and Development to continue its publication of the cumulative series late each summer.

Also noteworthy is the complete listing of the Minimum Royalty Payments provide the Division of Research & Development by the Department of Natural Resources. The table covers a span from 1976 to 1983 detailed by parish. The eight years is sufficient to demonstrate the trends for the parishes and for the state. Complementing the Minimum Royalty Payments is the Total Severance collected by the state. The severance tax data base has been expanded and the July 1984 issue will have the Natural Gas & the Oil Severance Taxes as separate entries by parishes. The coverage of oil and gas has been expanded to include the major refineries in the state and their crude-runs-to-still figures. A subscription to the American Petroleum Institute has been resumed that will give us a wider range of data for the LEI. The overall objective of the Division is to develop a comprehensive database at the parish level wherever possible to give the subscribers of the LEI the detailed information for the MSA's and the State summaries in order to evaluate their major components.

The Division would like to point the reader to the completed entries for Medicaid under the Welfare Activity section. Prior data from 1982 and 1983 has been obtained and is being entered into the LEI database. Also the number of significant items has been increased to include the payments to physicians, drugs, mental, services, and inpatient. A new category of Support Enforcement will be started as well that will have approximately five line entries. The Division is actively seeking pertinent data from all of the state agencies that will enhance the range and quality of information published in the LEI.

New Developments

A major thrust is being undertaken to get more definitive data concerning SMSA construction activity. The current source is lagged by a lengthy period and summarized to a few categories that makes an appraisal quite difficult. Most of the sources from the larger cities differ significantly, so that comparisons are likely to be spurious.

In the area of finance, the Division is now subscribing to the Federal Home Loan Bank's annual Savings & Loans year end reports. Coupling this with the Federal Reserve Board's subscription service of the reporting commercial banks, a truly comprehensive analysis can be produced. The Division will attempt to secure as many prior year end Savings & Loans reports for its database development.

Finally, it appears that a meaningful Retail Sales section for each of the SMSA's will be developed shortly with data for at least the current month, two prior months, and the expectation that several prior years (1982 and 1983) can be secured. The retail sales will have ten categories

With the anticipated additions to the Division staff, the timeliness of the LEI will improve dramatically along with the quantity and quality of the data published. Features that have been "standing in the wings" can be brought out and incorporated, special data series can be a regular part of the LEI. The changes that have been made during the past two years will continue the LEI's improvement.

Economic Indicators: UNITED STATES

							Per Cent Change		
							Latest Month		Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
Categories	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	Apr 84	May 84	**Jun 84**	Same Month Prior Year	**Prior Month**	
PRODUCER PRICE INDEXES*									
Finished Goods	289.4	290.6	291.7	291.4	291.5	291.2	2.2	-0.1	1.8
Finished Consumer Goods	288.8	290.1	291.4	290.6	290.7	290.3	2.1	-0.1	1.7
Intermediate Materials	316.6	317.4	319.5	320.2	320.8	321.6	3.2	0.2	2.2
Crude Materials	333.7	332.8	339.4	340.1	338.5	333.2	3.1	-1.6	3.7
CONSUMER PRICE INDEXES*									
All Items	305.2	306.6	307.3	308.8	309.7	310.7	4.2	0.3	3.7
Food and Beverages	291.6	294.2	294.3	294.5	293.6	294.3	3.4	0.2	2.9
Housing	329.2	331.0	331.5	333.2	334.6	336.2	4.1	0.5	3.1
Apparel and Upkeep	196.4	196.2	198.8	199.2	198.9	197.4	0.9	-0.8	2.4
Transportation	306.0	305.8	306.9	309.6	312.2	313.1	5.0	0.3	4.2
Medical Care	369.5	373.2	374.5	375.7	376.8	378.0	6.4	0.3	6.8
Entertainment	249.9	251.5	251.7	253.8	253.5	254.5	3.7	0.4	3.7
INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION INDEXES*									
Total Index	158.5	160.0	160.8	162.2	162.8	163.6	11.7	0.5	13.2
Energy	141.6	141.4	141.9	143.0	143.2	144.9	8.5	1.2	5.6
Durable Consumer Goods	163.4	162.5	163.1	162.5	162.2	163.2	9.4	0.6	18.3
Nondurable Consumer Goods	157.9	158.2	159.1	161.1	162.0	162.6	5.9	0.4	6.2
Business Equipment	170.7	171.9	172.1	173.5	175.4	177.0	17.8	0.9	12.5
Defense and Space Equipment	128.3	129.5	130.1	132.8	133.6	134.7	14.2	0.8	11.0
Construction Supplies	155.5	156.6	159.1	159.9	159.7	159.2	12.0	-0.3	19.3
Business Supplies	180.1	181.3	181.3	182.2	182.8				
Durable Goods Materials	154.6	158.6	159.5	161.6	161.7	162.4	18.5	0.4	22.4
Nondurable Goods Materials	181.2	184.1	185.9	186.0	186.7	187.3	7.5	0.3	13.2
Energy Materials	131.3	131.0	131.3	132.3	132.1	133.9	9.9	1.4	6.2
Home Goods and Clothing	140.1	140.3	140.1	141.3	141.2	140.8	8.1	-0.3	12.6
GENERAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY									
Index of 12 Leading Indicators*	164.7	167.0	167.5	168.3	168.9	167.4	6.4	-0.9	13.5
Index of 4 Roughly Coincident Indicators*	149.4	150.6	151.0	152.6	153.9	155.0	10.9	0.7	9.6
Index Of 6 Lagging Indicators*	109.8	111.7	113.3	114.9	116.9	117.6	7.1	0.6	-4.1
Index of Coincident to Lagging Ratio*	136.1	134.8	133.3	132.8	131.7	131.8	3.5	0.1	14.1
Housing Starts, Privately Owned (000)	109.1	130.0	137.5	170.6	179.8				
Housing Starts, Publically Owned (000)	0.1	0.4	0.6	0.3	1.4				
FINANCE									
Yield On 3-Month Federal Sec	8.93	9.03	9.44	9.69	9.90	9.94	13.1	0.4	8.2
Yield on State & Local Bonds	9.90	9.04	9.41	9.54	10.49	10.67	21.8	1.7	0.8
Average Yield on Corporate Bonds	12.92	12.88	13.33	13.59	13.28	13.55	8.1	2.0	-2.3
M1 : Currency + Demand Deposits ($ Bil)	$ 530.0	532.9	535.1	535.4	541.1	546.2	6.9	0.9	9.6
M2 : M1 + Other Checkable Deposits ($ Bil)	$ 2,206.8	2,222.5	2,229.9	2,242.9	2,258.6	2,271.7	7.3	0.6	10.1
Bank Debits ($ Bil)	$ 120,954.6	126,749.9	116,416.7	129,229.4	131,456.9	121,488.2	13.8	-7.6	19.2
Credit Union Deposits ($ Bil)	$ 60.7	49.7	50.2	51.9	52.0				
Savings & Loan Deposits ($ Bil)	$ 630.1	637.3	643.2	657.3	651.0				
Commercial Bank Deposits ($ Bil)	$ 1351.1	1326.7	1333.9	1345.1	1351.1				
EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS (MILLIONS)									
Civilian Noninstitutional Population	175.5	175.7	175.8	176.0	176.1	176.3	1.3	0.1	1.2
Civilian Labor Force	112.2	112.7	112.9	113.2	113.8	113.9	1.8	0.1	1.6
Percent of Population	63.9	64.1	64.2	64.4	64.6	64.6	0.5	0.0	0.4
Employed	103.2	103.9	104.1	104.4	105.3	105.7	5.0	0.4	3.8
Employment-Population Ratio	58.8	59.1	59.2	59.3	59.8	60.0	3.6	0.3	2.6
Unemployed	9.0	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.5	8.1	-27.0	-4.7	-17.7
Unemployment Rate	8.0	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.5	7.1	-29.0	-5.3	-19.1
LIFE INSURANCE STATISTICS									
Annualized Premium ($ Mil)	$ 369.1	370.8	429.4	417.7	465.2	450.7	17.3	-3.1	21.4
Face Amount ($ Bil)	$ 35.6	37.5	42.6	41.6	45.4	43.2	5.9	-4.8	16.1
Premium Per $1,000	$ 10.37	9.88	10.08	10.04	10.25	10.42	10.6	1.7	4.1
Average Policy Size ($ 000)	$ 51.8	48.2	48.4	49.7	52.2	51.8	9.5	-0.8	14.9
Premium Per Policy	$ 538	476	488	499	535	540	21.3	0.9	20.0
No. Of Ordinary Life Insurance Policies (000)	686.6	779.3	879.5	836.9	868.9	834.4	-3.3	-4.0	1.1
ENERGY SUMMARY (QUADs)									
Energy Production	5.56	5.35	5.68	5.34					
Energy Consumption	7.30	6.16	6.59	5.85					
Energy Imports	1.09	1.05	1.04	1.03					
Energy Exports	0.25	0.22	0.31	0.33					

* 1967 = 100

Source: Available on Request

The Louisiana economy continued to improve moderately in June. Total employment decreased one percent, or 17,800 workers, in June, although the unemployment rate increased to 9.4 percent from the 8.9 percent rate in May. The increase in unemployment was primarily due to the influx of students seeking summer jobs and full time employment. Total nonagricultural wage and salary employment in Louisiana increased by 1200 workers in June. Manufacturing employment increased 1.2 percent in June, bringing manufacturing employment 1.6 percent above the level of a year ago. Employment in mining, transportation and public utilities, and trade also showed moderate improvements. Construction employment declined due to a reduction in building constructions. Employment in services and government declined primarily due to a decline of educational services both in the private and government sector.

The Louisiana Economic Indicator (LEI) increased 0.5 percent in May, which was below the average increase during the past twelve months. The increase in the LEI was primarily due to increases in the index components predicting manufacturing activities and mining activities. The lower growth in the LEI suggests that the state's economic growth will probably slow down in the next six to nine months.

Table 1 shows the latest information on unemployment rates and changes in employment in the Louisiana metropolitan areas during the past year. The Lafayette metro area continues to have the lowest unemployment rate while the Lake Charles area continues to have the highest rate. Lafayette was the only metropolitan area in the state which had an unemployment rate that was below the median of the 240 metropolitan areas in the nation. The national rankings in column 5 of the table show that areas with higher unemployment rates had higher ranking and vice versa. McAllen, Texas with an unemployment rate of 18.7 percent had the highest ranking, and Stamford, Connecticut, with an unemployment rate of 2.6 percent had the lowest ranking. The ranking of 90 for Baton Rouge means that 150 metro areas had a lower unemployment rate and 89 had a higher unemployment rate. Lake Charles had the 9th highest unemployment rate among the 240 metro areas in the country.

Although Lafayette had the lowest unemployment rate in the state, its employment has grown less than the employment in some of the other metropolitan areas. During the past year, employment in Lafayette has increased only 2.6 percent, whereas employment in Baton Rouge and Shreveport increased 5.2 percent and 5.1 percent, respectively. Lake Charles experienced a declining employment during the past year. Baton Rouge and Shreveport continue to experience significant increases in the number of persons employed which reflects the current strength of their local economies.

Economic conditions in Louisiana's rural parishes vary widely. The June unemployment rate was 21.7 percent in West Carroll Parish, 18.7 percent in Allen Parish and 15.7 percent in St. Landry Parish. On the other hand, the unemployment rate in Lincoln Parish was a low 4.1 percent; in West Feliciana Parish it was 5.9 percent and in Cameron Parish it was 7.1 percent.

Table 1

Data on Louisiana Metropolitan Areas

Metro Areas	Unemployment Rate June 1984	Unemployment Rate May 1984	Unemployment Rate June 1984	Ranking Among 240 Metro Areas in U.S. May 1984	% Change in Employment 06/83 - 06/84
Alexandria	9.3%	9.1%	12.2%	44	3.6%
Baton Rouge	8.2%	7.3%	10.8%	90	5.2%
Houma-Thibodaux	9.6%	9.8%	14.3%	—	-0.9%
Lafayette	6.0%	5.9%	8.9%	132	2.6%
Lake Charles	13.6%	13.4%	14.5%	9	-2.9%
Monroe	9.3%	9.1%	11.3%	47	-2.2%
New Orleans	8.5%	8.1%	10.9%	72	3.8%
Shreveport	7.6%	7.1%	11.8%	96	5.1%

Louisiana Tourist Traffic Data - Visitors To Selected Tourist Attractions

Categories	Jan 84	Feb 84	Mar 84	Apr 84	May 84	Jun 84	Per Cent Change: Latest Month: Same Month Prior Year	Per Cent Change: Latest Month: Prior Month	Per Cent Change: Latest 12 Months Compared With Prior 12 Months
Audubon State Commemorative Area	15,024	5,432	10,096	11,068	10,835	11,287	38.4	4.2	10.8
Camp Moore State Commemorative Area	213	440	580	1,306	637	539	14.7	-15.4	31.5
Chemin-A-Haut State Park	1,376	1,994	2,896	3,619	5,582	14,292	14.7	156.0	8.2
Chicot State Park	18,845	25,000	49,349	57,191	63,788	48,234	33.9	-24.4	6.9
Cypremort Point State Park	1,215	1,918	4,653	8,542	16,262	25,890	141.2	59.2	1.3
Edward Douglass White Memorial	30	130	193	143	469	62	40.9	-86.8	66.3
Fairview-Riverside State Park	9,493	15,182	19,881	24,478	28,956	24,898	95.8	-14.0	9.1
Fontainbleau State Park	15,248	19,772	28,474	29,584	88,864	105,356	206.1	18.6	81.1
Fort Jesup State Commemorative Area	3,074	3,430	4,248	6,442	4,218	4,236	234.1	0.4	-11.7
Fort Pike State Commemorative Area	11,584	16,472	29,886	32,820	43,080	72,252	622.5	67.7	220.4
Fort St. Jean Baptiste	606	965	1,716	2,498	4,218	4,610	326.9	9.3	65.8
Grand Isle State Park			370	345	168	153		-8.9	
Hodges Gardens	191	400	6,178	12,914	7,137	4,923	-1.5	-31.0	-16.8
Indian Creek Recreational Area	1,245	3,170	9,022	15,127	23,722	28,624	14.3	20.7	13.9
Kent House State Commemorative Area									
Lake Bistineau State Park	3,115	4,834	8,371	13,777	17,421	19,191	38.1	10.2	11.1
Lake Bruin State Park	2,348	2,584	5,132	7,986	9,064	14,942	294.9	64.8	-50.7
Lake Claiborne State Park	3,030	4,196	7,784	12,078	34,528	44,032	271.9	27.5	282.8
Lake D'Arbonne State Park	1,244	1,932	3,123	3,897	6,598	6,488	4.9	-1.7	32.8
Longfellow-Evangeline State Park	14,478	12,600	16,662	18,784	19,574	18,842	16.9	-3.7	-18.8
Los Adeas	49	32	44	63	100	34	30.8	-66.0	26.7
Louisiana State Arboretum	65	176	268	339	391	292	-7.3	-25.3	
Louisiana State Exhibit Museum, Shreveport	10,300	23,000	44,400	45,400	36,600	31,400	-2.8	-14.2	0.6
Louisiana State Museum, New Orleans	3,895	5,788	6,280	8,549	50,070	50,123	237.5	0.1	-9.8
Louisiana State Fairgrounds	28,664	145,545	37,110	154,025	55,275	5,900	-57.6	-89.3	6.0
Mansfield State Commemorative Area	1,950	2,650	3,602	4,971	4,116	4,224	83.7	2.6	11.0
Old Arsenal Museum	2,191	3,342	5,896	7,870	8,444	5,760	7.4	-31.8	-8.4
Marksville State Commemorative Area	7,582	12,023	14,264	13,910	17,925	18,020	1487.7	0.5	711.4
Old State Capitol	2,989	3,082	6,909	6,738	9,498	6,447	20.4	-32.1	-1.1
Plaquemine Locks	331	267	300	289	690	350	302.3	-49.3	214.8
Port Hudson	3,394	5,304	11,307	9,735	9,538	8,205	44.9	-14.0	
Poverty Point State Commemorative Area	960	900	4,679	7,828	7,519	7,365	74.3	-2.0	60.3
Rebel State Commemorative Area	1,093	1,101	1,372	1,756	2,340	4,940	14.1	111.1	15.5
St. Bernard State Park	3,782	5,628	9,715	9,903	27,251	25,339	687.9	-7.0	10.0
Sam Houston Jones State Park	11,360	11,821	39,279	46,350	63,827	22,858	-37.4	-64.2	-10.3
Winter Quarters State Commemorative Area	37	66	109	87	149	321	136.0	115.4	

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Greenwood	6,905	7,980	13,454	10.559	18,289	28,407	37.7	55.3	2.3
Kentwood (I-55)	3,949	4,896	7,137	6,071	18,758	29,538	215.0	57.5	20.0
Louisiana State Capitol	7,449	9,553	19,356	27,453	32,957	25,467	32.0	-22.7	-1.9
Mound Center (I-20 W)	5,964	6,262	9,936	7,747	12.503	17,395	-3.6	39.1	-0.7
New Orleans	4,268	6,616	10,414	9,490	14,961	20.002	74.5	33.7	-9.5
Pearl River (I-59)	45,186	39,087	48,849	36,875	61,913	97,428	7.3	57.4	52.8
St. Francisville	940	1,509	3,138	3,445	4,577	5,574	43.8	21.8	-6.6
Slidell (I-10 W)	44,611	53,916	68,979	43,749	91,029	113,079	62.2	24.2	6.3
Toledo Bend	768	1,402	3,018	2,914	2,810	2,999	18.4	6.7	1.9
Vidalia	925	1,114	1,964	1,202	2,002	2,624	58.8	31.1	11.4
Vinton (I-10 E)	16,226	23,564	36,009	26,270	41,416	50,062	60.6	20.9	30.4

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